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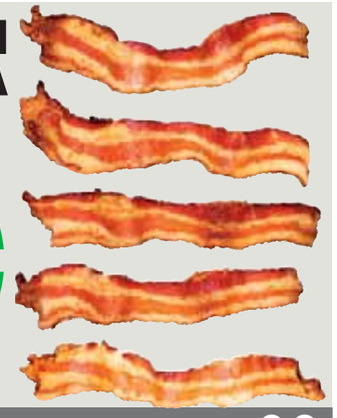

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Nannies hit with record residency waits

IMMIGRATION

Families break up as Ottawa breaks vow to speed process

It's taking twice as long for foreign caregivers to get permanent resident status in Canada as it did a year ago, despite Ottawa's promise to expedite the process.

According to an immigration department internal memo, the processing time for caregivers' permanent residency reached a record 50 months in January, up from 26 months a year ago. That's on top of having to work two years alone in Canada — separated from family — in order to meet the residency requirement.

Jesapher Diaz Dumanjug, 36, left behind two children in the Philippines to work in Hong Kong in 2006 and came to Toronto three years later under the old live-in caregiver program. She applied for permanent residency in April 2012 after meeting her work hours requirement.

Her application has been delayed after immigration officials claimed she failed to respond to two emails sent to her for further documentation that she says she never received.

"I left my children when they were little. I've already missed many years with them. I've already waited for my permanent residency for 39 months," said Dumanjug. "My daughter Shinehah is already 16 and my son David Shaun is 14. They are already teenagers. How much longer do I need to wait?"

Immigration officials are still wrestling with a huge backlog. As of February, more than 17,600 caregivers who had met the work requirement — down from a peak of 24,600 last year — were still waiting in the queue to be reunited with their spouses and children living abroad.

Delays in granting permanent status and reuniting families often lead to family breakups and cause other adjustment problems for caregivers' children, including high school dropout rates, said immigration lawyer Richard Kurland, who obtained the government memo. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Steffi Hamann, left, and Kersti Harvey after their wedding at The Old Mill Inn on Friday. MELISSA RENWICK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

SALE

New life for Old Mill

The mill may be old, but the owners are brand new.

Toronto's Old Mill, a landmark since 1914, has been sold.

Michael Kalmar, owner and operator of the popular hotel and restaurant for the last 24 years, announced the sale Friday to Adam De Luca of OMT Hospitality Inc.

Kalmar credited the "visionaries, risk-takers and entrepreneurs" who founded and updated the mill over the years, as well as dedicated staff and loyal customers, for helping it rise to prominence.

The Tudor-style building has stood along the Humber River for more than a century. It's weathered Hurricane Hazel, more than a few political fundraisers and many, many weddings — not to mention numerous renovations over the years, including the addition of a banquet hall, jazz bar and spa.

"It started out being a community centre for the local people along the Kingsway ... and that's the general direction that the new owners want to take it," said Natalie Bauer, a spokeswoman for the mill.

According to Bauer, the hotel already gives part of the profits from its afternoon tea sessions to Women's Habitat, a shelter and outreach centre in Etobicoke.

De Luca called the Old Mill a symbol of Toronto and said he plans to honour its heritage.

"The GTA at large has really come to know the mill as a home," he said.

De Luca stressed that all current staff would be kept on and that changes will come gradually and with respect to the integrity of the mill. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Stephen Yorke sorts through the collection of vinyl at Dead Dog Records at 1209 Bloor St. W. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

Vinyl lovers skip but keep on spinning

RETAIL

Owners took 'leap of faith' after record store closed

Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

The owners of a new Toronto record store are determined to go their own way.

When Sunrise Records closed at Yonge and Bloor last November, employees Stephen Yorke, Maesy Kitching and Kristie Callaghan did what any group of people who love working in a record store would do: they started another record store.

"It's always been one of those things I thought I would do," said Yorke, who managed Sunrise for 34 years. "But it's a big leap of faith for sure."

Dead Dog Records opened its doors in April in Toronto's burgeoning Bloordale neighbourhood. Yorke looked into taking over the old Sunrise location but said the high rent pushed him and his co-owners west.

"It's been a few months of getting the word out, but the neighbourhood has really embraced us," he said.

The store got a boost from a former Sunrise customer who donated their 400-piece record collection to help fill the bins.

"There were about 20 Olivia Newton-John records in there, which we still have, but most of it was decent stuff in really great condition," Yorke said, laughing.

With over three decades in the music retail business, Yorke said he believes curation is the key to success. He has a good ear for what will sell and knows his customers well enough to predict new music they'll enjoy.

"There's so much music out there nowadays, it's scary," he said. "So I try to be a conduit for people to help them wade through it and find something they'll want to listen to when they get home."

LISTEN UP WHICH ALBUMS ARE GRABBING THE DEAD DOG RECORDS OWNERS?

Stephen Yorke

Little Neon Limelight, by Hound Mouth

"It's indie rock with a bit of a southern blues feel.... I can't get the new single, Sedona, out of my head."

Kristie Callaghan

Feels Like, by Bully

"It's got the same grungy rock sound as Courtney Barnett.... It's my jam right now."

Steph Guthrie is one of two victims named in the Twitter harassment trial of Gregory Alan Elliott. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Women’s fears were real: Crown

metro EXCLUSIVE

Feminists allege man harassed them on Twitter

Jessica Smith Cross
Metro | Toronto

The women at the centre of a groundbreaking Twitter harassment trial had every right to fight back against the man accused of harassing them, the Crown has argued.

Gregory Alan Elliott was charged in November 2012 with criminal harassment for Twitter conduct aimed at Toronto feminists Steph Guthrie and Heather Reilly. It is believed to be the first case of criminal harassment to spring from Twitter behaviour.

Crown lawyer Marnie Goldenberg submitted her closing statement to the court in writing last week and declined media requests to release copies. She granted Metro permission to read the statement on Tuesday.

“Mr. Elliot sent copious amounts of obsessive, harassing tweets where he tweeted ‘at’ the complainants, mentioned their handles, mentioned the hashtags created by Ms. Guthrie, sent subtweets at the complainants, monitored their feeds, etc. He did this knowing that they blocked him and that they did not want contact with him,” Goldenberg wrote.

Whether or not Guthrie and Reilly were reasonably afraid of Elliott is central to the legal claim of criminal harassment. Both said they were, and testified that some of Elliott’s tweets made it obvious he knew where they were and what they were doing.

Gregory Alan Elliott

In her argument, Goldenberg took issue with the defence position that Guthrie and Reilly must not have been truly afraid of Elliott because they called him out — even taunted him — on Twitter.

“Why should the complainants not be allowed to speak out against their harasser and warn others?” Goldenberg wrote. “Why should the complainants be criticized for speaking with their friends about being harassed? ... (They) should be allowed to do so without fear that the actions of the harasser will be minimized. Just because they speak out, does not mean that they are not fearful and the harasser’s actions are not aggravating and serious.”

The defence made a closing argument orally in court last week. Also now available online via a crowdfunding campaign set up for Elliott by his sons, the argument characterizes the Twitter interactions part of “an ugly political debate during which both sides resorted to childish name-calling.”

“It is ultimately submitted that the complainants’ fear was not objectively reasonable because, in the end, Canadian politicos who decide to dish insults out to their opponents cannot reasonably be fearful if their political opponents decide to dish it right back,” argued defence lawyer Christopher Murphy.

Guthrie has received online threats, including that she should kill her herself and be tortured to death, since media coverage of the defence argument.

The judge’s decision is expected in October.

NEWMARKET

Two more charged in 2014 double stabbing

Police have charged two more people in a double stabbing in February 2014 in Newmarket that left Ronidy Roseborough, 65, dead and another wounded.

York Regional police have charged Mahyar Dadollahi-Sarab, 32, with first-degree murder and attempted murder. They have also charged Mariam Rahbary Boroumand, 29, with accessory after the fact to murder.

Police previously charged Bradford residents John Jansen, 38, with first-degree murder and attempted murder, and Britaney Hall, 27, with being an accessory after the fact.

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Dog day for the kids

FOOD

Fancy Franks giving away free hotdogs for charity

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

Angelos Economopoulos loves hotdogs and everything associated with celebrating good quality in the mostly street-served food item.

So the owner of the Toronto-based meal chain Fancy Franks is giving out free hotdogs this Thursday — over 4,000 of them — to mark National Hot Dog Day, a tradition he said he emulated three years ago from the United States.

"Hotdogs are a great business now," said Economopoulos, whose eatery now boasts three locations across the city. "In the beginning it was hard because I had to do my best to educate the Toronto foodies on the type of hotdogs I was offering."

A Fancy Franks dog is made of 100 per cent shoulder-cut beef. It's never frozen and it's a hand-twisted, old-school-fashioned product, he said.

"I love this time of the year," said the food entrepreneur, who has since turned the free hotdog event into a fundraiser to help charities that do various works in support of children. Most people think of Christmas as the only time to give, and he just wanted to do it differently.

Jordan Fee, manager of Fancy Franks Gourmet Hot Dogs on College Street, holds the signature dog that will be served on the house during the day on Thursday as part of National Hot Dog Day. PHOTOS: LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

> **Hotdogs are a great business now.**
> Angelos Economopoulos

"I have a special place in my heart for kids," said Economopoulos, himself a father of three. He said he has always wanted to give back to the community through a way that helps children. "And a hotdog is a fun food, well liked by children, so it ties into it very well," he said.

His initial endeavour raised $4,500 for SickKids, and this year the proceeds will be donated to Starlight Children's Foundation Canada.

At Thursday's event, people are encouraged to donate whatever they can for the cause. They can also participate into a lot of fun activities, including an auction selling Blue Jays products.

Items in auction include an autographed Russell Martin jersey, four tickets to a Blue Jays regular-season game at the Rogers Centre, with the opportunity to attend batting practice on the field pre-game, and a $50 Jays Shop Gift Card.

PARKS

Water balloons draw mom's ire

Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

A Toronto mother is urging city officials to ban water balloons in city parks.

Small pieces of rubber left behind from used balloons could create a choking hazard for children, Emily-Jane Watson warned during a Tuesday interview on CBC Radio's Metro Morning.

Watson said she visited Gamble Park in the city's east end recently and found the wading pool inundated with balloon bits.

Coun. Mary Fragedakis, whose ward includes the park, told Metro others have complained about balloon pieces blocking drainage at the splash pad. However, she said banning water balloons would be an "extreme" measure.

"I don't think you need to ban every single thing in a park, but it would be good if people picked up after their kids," she said.

Municipal bylaws may not have anything to say about water-laden projectiles, but a surprising number of activities are illegal in our local green spaces. These are just some of the odder prohibitions still on the books.

1 Swearing
Next time you plan a picnic, bring a swear jar. The city's official parks bylaw says no person shall "use profane or abusive language" while in a park.

2 Climbing trees
Playing Tarzan is off limits unless you've obtained a permit. Park users are not allowed to "climb, move or remove the whole or any part of a tree."

3 Hot-air balloons
While the bylaw is mum on water balloons, it's a different story for other balloons. According to Subsection 20 of the parks bylaw, "no person shall launch or land a hot-air balloon, hang glider, ultra-light aircraft or similar conveyance in a park."

4 Tasering dogs
You'd think this would be covered under the umbrella of animal cruelty, but the city's bylaw goes out of its way to remind dog owners not to "use a stun gun or similar electronic device" on their pets while in a park.

5 Snowballs (maybe)
If you can believe it, the city requires a permit to "place, throw, cast or otherwise deposit snow." Hopefully, the bylaw is aimed at illegal dumping.

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FACEBOOK

Professor let go following homophobia investigation

An Ontario college says it no longer employs a professor following an investigation into a complaint about homophobic comments allegedly posted on social media.

A spokeswoman for St. Lawrence College says an investigation was launched after a student complained about comments professor Rick Coupland allegedly made on Facebook.

Kelly Wiley says the comments were a breach of the school's code of conduct.

Screenshots of a post circulating on social media allegedly show Coupland sharing a link to a story about a rainbow flag being raised in St. Petersburg, Fla., accompanied with the comment, "It's the queers they should be hanging, not the flag."

The Facebook account appeared to have been deleted by Tuesday.

Coupland, who was a business professor with the college, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

"We were made aware by a former student who sent us the post and a complaint about the content of the post," Wiley told The Canadian Press. "The posts were deeply concerning to the college due to the nature of their content. It was clear to us that we needed to investigate them immediately."

Wiley said the college, which has campuses in Brockville, Cornwall and Kingston, has strict policies that guide the conduct of its employees. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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PAN AM PATH PROJECT

Athletics should be inclusive, say artists

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

A set of rare sculptures sit in the ravines near the University of Toronto's Scarborough campus.

There's nothing particularly striking about the pieces. The four polished and bent pieces of wood each, standing about four feet high and complete with two pinwheels near the top, could be easily overlooked.

But the artists — three U of T students working in collaboration with Hart House — hope they'll send a memorable message to community members: Sports should be open, inclusive and accessible to everyone.

"There is no limit," said Zarish Asif, an arts and city studies student who worked on the installation as part of the Pan Am Path project.

"The fact that these sculptures are outside and accessible and everyone can touch them is really important," she said. "It is reflective of the idea that there should be no barriers in sports."

Asif teamed up with colleagues Vineetha Sivathasan and Zee Bolad for the installation. The works are meant to be played with — welcoming people to reach out and spin the pinwheels, Asif said.

Built at a height accessible to a person in a wheelchair, the works are near a tennis court that will be home to matches during Parapan Am competition next month.

The artists hope people who interact with the pieces will get a sense of how important it is to be part of sports, Asif said.

"This is about encouraging personal drive and ambition, exploring and being creative," she said.

The sculptures will be on display until late October.

Artwork installed near UofT's Scarborough campus is meant to reflect sports accessibility and inclusiveness. CONTRIBUTED

BEACH VOLLEYBALL ARGENTINA SERVES DEFEAT TO CUBA Argentina, left, competes against Cuba during the women's beach volleyball gold medal match at the Pan Am Games on Tuesday. Argentina clinched the gold medal in three sets on scores of 21-17, 19-21 and 15-7. JULIO CORTEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TPS-designed Pan Am logo mocked by pros

POLICE

Emblem meant as branding image for social media accounts

Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

A Pan Am Games logo created by Toronto police is being mocked, and the designers are taking the criticism in stride.

Replete with a waving Canadian flag, a digital globe and a bust of the CN Tower flanked by the vastness of space, the logo was created as part of the branding for social-media accounts used to disseminate Games information, like security bulletins and traffic tips.

Design blog UCreative sarcastically hailed the logo as "glorious" and described it as "a clear statement against the diminishing standards of today's design which tends to be minimalist and flat."

The logo has even been the target of jokes from within the force. Const. Victor Kwong added an image of a wolf in response to some online comments and posted the updated version to Twitter.

Staff Sgt. Devin Kealey, who's leading the Pan Am group responsible for the branding, said his team was just trying to design "bright, colourful slides" that would jibe with the positive spirit of the Games.

"None of us have any training in graphic arts design," he said. "In light of the fact that the TPS is funded by taxpayer dollars, we did not feel it was fiscally responsible or practical to hire professional graphics designers for our purpose.

"We just feel honoured that people ... would take time out (of) their busy schedules to review and critique our collective work," he added.

This logo, created by the Toronto Police Service for the Pan Am Games, is being criticized by design enthusiasts. TWITTER

SPORTS

Games officials OK with religious materials off-site

Jessica Smith Cross
Metro | Toronto

Pan Am spectators may have noticed a bit of a different crowd outside venues over the past week.

Christian church groups, Buddhist monks, Falun Gong practitioners and other religious groups have taken to events, handing out leaflets, spreading their views or soliciting donations.

It's all fine by Pan Am Games organizers as long as they keep outside the boundaries of official venues.

A group of gospel churches has been distributing leaflets dedicated to sports, God and the connection between them.

While the leaflets refer to the Pan Am Games, they don't break any rules because "it is done in an editorial context which does not infringe on any trademarks," a Games spokesperson said.

"We do not allow distribution of any promotional collateral on venue with the exception of pre-approved Games Partner materials," an email from Games officials said.

"Anything else being handed out on venue property would be subject to confiscation or the distributor would politely be asked to leave the premises."

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Officer won't face criminal charges

SHOOTING

SIU rules fatal force justified in Carby's death last year

The Peel Regional Police officer who shot and killed Jermaine Carby last fall in Brampton will not face criminal charges, the province's Special Investigations Unit has ruled.

Carby, 33, was shot dead by an unnamed Peel officer on the evening of Sept. 24, 2014, following a vehicle stop at the Brampton intersection of Queen St. East and Kennedy Rd.

According to the SIU, the civilian agency that probes deaths involving police in Ontario, Carby was shot dead after brandishing a serrated kitchen knife at officers, two of whom arrived soon after the stop.

The SIU director Tony Loparco ruled the officer who fired a total of seven shots at Carby — striking him three times, once in the back — was justified in using fatal force because it was in self-defence.

But in a strongly worded statement, Loparco harshly condemned the actions of a Peel police officer who "tampered" with the scene by removing the knife, thus interfering with the integrity of what Loparco says must be an independent investigation.

SIU investigators who arrived shortly after Carby's death did not locate a knife on scene. Instead, the knife was collected by an SIU forensic investigator "several hours after" from a Peel police acting sergeant, who said another officer had collected the knife and given it to him.

That officer, who arrived on scene just as the shooting ended, told the SIU in an interview that he used his foot to step on the knife, which was still in Carby's right hand, and dragged it toward the curb lane. He then picked it up and put it in a brown paper bag.

"This conduct is hard to fathom," Loparco wrote. "In this most serious of cases, where an agent of the state has taken the life of a citizen, the community was minimally entitled to expect that an independent investigation would be left to pursue its work on the basis of a secure scene and uncompromised physical evidence. They were denied that investigation."

The SIU investigation, which drew on information from six witness officers, 12 civilian witnesses and citizen video taken on a phone, concluded the officer was authorized because it was in self-defence.

The unnamed officer who shot Carby did not agree to an SIU interview or provide a copy of his duty notes, which he is legally entitled to do.

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Music 311 to showcase locals

Are you a thrash, metal or hardcore fan? You may be out of luck next time you call the city about trash collection or snow removal.

The City of Toronto is soliciting song tracks from local artists to be used on its 311 customer service line. Called Music 311, the program is an attempt to showcase local talent and move past the mundane instrumental music callers are used to hearing on hold.

To appeal to a broad-based audience, however, the city's discouraging thrash, hardcore and metal submissions.

"It's not a this-is-better-than-that-genre kind of thing," says Mike Tanner, music sector development officer at the City of Toronto. "It's what is appropriate for the situation."

The city's preferred genres? The list is extensive, but includes country, folk, blues, R&B, hip-hop, acoustic and soul.

The artists selected will receive a $50 honorarium for each track used, and will get a bio and photo on the city's music website. The artist and song names won't be read out to listeners, so those interested would have to look them up afterward on the city's website.

For now, four acts are being featured during the project's first run. All have been recently involved with the city's Music Advisory Council.

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THE LIST FIRST FEATURED ACTS

Amanda Martinez
Martinez has South African and Mexican roots. Her two Music 311 songs are Guajira Sola and Va y Viene.

The Cocksure Lads
This semi-fictional '60s band started as an inside joke between members of the now-defunct Moxy Fruvous.

Miranda Mulholland
Mulholland, a singer and fiddler, has two tracks being used for the program: Bar Rage and Whipping Boy.

Jay Douglas
Douglas, a Jamaican immigrant, wrote Reggae Lane in recognition of his neighbourhood's Jamaican roots.

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IN BRIEF

Ashley Madison security breach won't change cheating ways: Expert

Cheating spouses who fear their secret online liaisons could be revealed in the Ashley Madison data breach faced a tough lesson this week about flirting with danger on the Internet.

But experts say getting people to change their wicked ways won't necessarily be as simple as threatening to divulge past indiscretions.

"People have been having extramarital affairs for long before the Internet facilitated those liaisons," said Matthew Johnson, a relationship specialist in human ecology at the University of Alberta.

Still, questions about the fallout of the breach linger as Toronto-based website AshleyMadison.com reels from a cyberattack where hackers stole confidential details about its cheating customers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

HEALTH

Majority of toddlers vaccinated: Study

Statistics Canada says a high percentage of two-year-old kids have been vaccinated against a variety of childhood diseases and most parents believe such shots are important.

The 2013 Childhood National Immunization Coverage Survey found 89 per cent of two-year-old children had received the recommended number of immunizations against measles, mumps and rubella.

Coverage for polio among two-year-old kids was 91 per cent, while 73 per cent had been vaccinated against chickenpox.

But the survey of parents and guardians also found a small proportion of Canadian children — 1.5 per cent — had never received immunizations of any kind.

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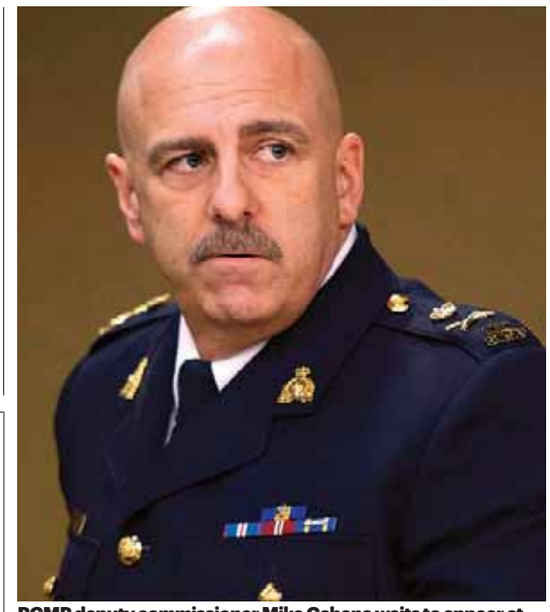

RCMP deputy commissioner Mike Cabana waits to appear at the Senate national security committee to discuss the anti-terrorism act in Ottawa on April 20. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

CSIS spies could hinder Mounties

BILL C-51

New legislation could impact investigations abroad

The RCMP is concerned that new anti-terrorism legislation might hurt — not help — its security efforts in overseas hot spots, internal notes say.

The Mounties worry the Canadian Security Intelligence Service's new powers to disrupt threats "could inadvertently jeopardize existing relationships" the Mounties have fostered, if authorities discover what CSIS is doing, the RCMP briefing notes warn.

There will be additional pressure on the Mounties to co-ordinate with the spy service so that criminal investigations are not "negatively affected," add the notes, prepared for RCMP deputy commissioner Mike Cabana's appearance at a Senate committee.

The Canadian Press used the Access to Information Act to obtain the detailed documents, drafted in advance of Cabana's April 20 testimony on the government's sweeping security bill, known as C-51.

The bill, which has since become law, explicitly empowers CSIS to thwart security threats — going well beyond its traditional information-gathering role — by meddling with extremist websites, diverting illicit shipments or engaging in myriad other schemes.

The newly disclosed notes underscore the need for a federal security czar to oversee and direct the anti-terrorism activities of Canadian agencies that might otherwise trip over one another, said University of Ottawa law professor Craig Forcese.

"What we've done with C-51 is we've enhanced the prospect of traffic collisions and road carnage without putting in place the traffic-light system."

National security investigations, especially ones with international dimensions, are complex and challenging for all parties, requiring thoughtful collaboration, said CSIS spokeswoman Tahera Mufti.

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BACKGROUND

The Mounties have liaison officers in Turkey, Kenya and Pakistan — among other places — that are pursuing criminal investigations of Canadians who have travelled to take part in terrorist activities in Afghanistan, Somalia and Syria, according to the internal notes.

World mayors support Pope

CLIMATE CHANGE

Vancouver's mayor is only Canadian at Vatican talks

Dozens of mayors from around the world, including Vancouver, demanded Tuesday that their national leaders take bold steps at the Paris climate talks this year, saying that could be the last chance to keep the Earth's warming at levels still safe for humanity.

One by one, some of the 60 mayors invited to a two-day Vatican conference lined up to sign a final declaration stating that "human-induced climate change is a scientific reality and its effective control is a moral imperative for humanity."

Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson, the only Canadian mayor who is part of the gathering, signed the declaration.

The mayors were aiming to keep the pressure on world leaders ahead of the Paris negotiations in December. Pope Francis last month released an environmental encyclical that denounced what he calls a fossil fuel-based world economy that exploits the poor and destroys the Earth.

Francis told the gathering Tuesday that he had "a lot of hope" that the Paris negotiations would succeed, but also told the mayors: "You are the conscience of humanity."

Experts have long said that cities are key to reducing global warming since urban areas account for nearly three-quarters of human emissions. Mayor after mayor made an individual plea Tuesday at the conference for the world to change its ways.

Pope Francis delivers his speech in the Synod Hall at the Vatican on Tuesday. GREGORIO BORGIA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DECLARATION

Financial incentives call
The conference's final declaration calls for financial incentives to transition economies from using fossil fuels to low-carbon and renewable energies and to shift public financing away from the military to "urgent investments" in sustainable development, with wealthy countries helping poorer ones.

Drawing rousing applause, California Gov. Jerry Brown denounced global warming deniers who he said are "bamboozling" the public and politicians with false information to persuade them that the world isn't getting warmer.

Brown, a former Jesuit seminarian, urged the mayors not to be complacent in opposing climate deniers. California has enacted the toughest greenhouse gas emissions standards in North America.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio announced new greenhouse gas emissions targets for the Big Apple — committing the city to reducing its emissions 40 per cent by 2030 — and urged other cities to follow suit.

Robertson, the Vancouver mayor, called Blasio and Brown's speeches "powerful addresses" in a tweet sent early Tuesday, adding that California and New York City were demonstrating "crucial climate leadership." He also tweeted: "Honoured to sign joint declaration for climate action with Pontifex + global mayors."

The climax of Tuesday's inaugural session was the afternoon audience with Francis, who has become a hero to the environmental movement and has used his moral authority and enormous popularity to focus world attention on climate change and its effects on the poor.

Francis' other main priority has been to raise awareness about human trafficking. The Vatican conference is aimed at showing how both are related: The exploitation of the Earth and its most vulnerable people, with global warming often responsible for creating "environmental refugees" forced to flee homes because of drought or other climate-induced natural disasters.

Francis told the gathering that while he had high hopes about the Paris climate negotiations, he also wanted the United Nations to focus more on human trafficking.

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U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

Trump fans jam rival's phone

Donald Trump speaks at his kickoff rally in Bluffton, S.C., Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Donald Trump pushed back ever harder Tuesday against Republicans fed up with his provocations, disclosing one rival presidential candidate's mobile number in a fiery speech that escalated his feuding with his own party. Fellow Republican presidential contender Sen. Lindsey Graham, whose phone number Trump read to an audience, called him a "jackass," only to see floods of Trump supporters jam his phone line.

Trump is now at odds with much of the Republican establishment after a series of incendiary comments, topped by his mocking of Sen. John McCain's experience as a tortured prisoner of war in Vietnam.

Since then the real estate developer and reality TV host has intensified his criticism of McCain and his record on veterans issues even as politicians from both parties and veterans groups have rushed to McCain's defence. In a speech to hundreds of supporters in South Carolina on Tuesday, Trump accused McCain of being soft on illegal immigration.

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ROYAL BIRTHDAY PRINCE GEORGE TURNS TWO Prince William holds his son Prince George following the christening of Princess Charlotte, in the grounds of Sandringham House, England, on July 5. Kensington Palace released the photo Tuesday in time for Prince George's second birthday on Wednesday. COURTESY KENSINGTON PALACE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)

IN BRIEF

Volcano rumbling to life
The Alaska Volcano Observatory says underground activity is increasing at Cleveland Volcano in the Aleutians Islands. The observatory recorded an explosion at the volcano at 8:17 a.m. Tuesday, but no ash has been detected. Ash above 20,000 feet would threaten trans-Pacific flights. The volcano is located on an uninhabited island 1,513 kilometres southwest of Anchorage. Its last significant eruption was in 2001.
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Jamaica to shut schools
Jamaica will close 18 small public schools by September. Education Minister Ronald Thwaites told Parliament on Tuesday that the closures are intended to achieve greater levels of efficiencies in the school system. The schools all have small student bodies, ranging from 16 to 68 pupils, and most have had declining enrolments over the last five years. They also perform below the national average. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Toshiba's chief executive quits

JAPAN

Eight others also resign over doctored accounts

Toshiba's CEO and eight other executives resigned Tuesday to take responsibility for doctored books that inflated profits at the Japanese technology manufacturer by 152 billion yen ($1.2 billion US) over several years.

Toshiba Corp. acknowledged a systematic coverup, which began in 2008. Various parts of the Japanese company's sprawling business including computer chips and personal computers were struggling financially, but top managers set unrealistic earnings targets under the banner of "challenge," and subordinates faked results.

On top of its struggles in electronics, Tokyo-based Toshiba's prospects in nuclear power, one of its core businesses, were shaken after the 2011 Fukushima disaster set off public fears about reactor safety, making new nuclear plants unlikely in Japan. All 48 of the nation's working reactors are now offline.

Bowing deeply before flashing cameras at a news conference, CEO Hisao Tanaka kept his head lowered for nearly half a minute in a gesture meant to convey deep shame and contrition.

Tanaka's predecessors, Norio Sasaki, now a vice chairman, and Atsutoshi Nishida, an adviser, also gave up their posts along with six other executives.

The company said that the fraud continued through the fiscal year that ended in March, and work on revising the accounts to show the complete and true financial picture is not yet finished. It promised an emergency stockholder meeting for September, where it plans to deliver a genuine financial report.

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> **We have a serious responsibility ... to build a new structure.**
> CEO Hisao Tanaka

Toshiba Corp. CEO Hisao Tanaka announces his resignation in Tokyo, Tuesday. SHIZUO KAMBAYASHI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EARNINGS

iPhone sales key to Apple's success

Apple's latest financial report shows the iPhone is still the key engine of the company's success. But the impact of its newest product, the Apple Watch, isn't clear.

The tech giant turned in another strong performance Tuesday, thanks to sales of its smartphone. Apple said Tuesday that it sold more than 47.5 million iPhones during the three months ending in June, or 35 per cent more than a year ago.

Apple was less forthcoming about the watch, which some analysts and investors see as an important indicator of the company's ability to produce successful new products. Top executives stood by their decision not to release sales figures for the new smartwatch, saying the information could be used by competitors.

In one tantalizing clue, Apple reported $2.6 billion US in revenue from the segment that includes the watch and several other products, or about $952 million US more than the previous quarter, when the watch had not yet gone on sale. That's significantly less than the $1.8 billion US in watch sales that analysts surveyed by FactSet were expecting.

Apple's stock fell nearly six per cent in late trading, indicating investors weren't satisfied with the report. Apple also forecast that revenue for the quarter ending in September will fall between $49 billion and $51 billion, indicating sales could fall below estimates.

> **We beat our internal expectations (for the watch)**
> Luca Maestri

Chief Financial Officer Luca Maestri said revenue from the watch amounted to "well over" that $952 million increase. He said the category also includes revenue from iPods and accessories, which saw declining sales in the quarter. "We beat our internal expectations" for the watch, Maestri said, adding that the number of watches sold in the first nine weeks was greater than the number of iPhones or iPads that the company sold in a comparable period.

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IN BRIEF

BlackBerry laying off staff

BlackBerry Ltd. is cutting more jobs as it deals with weak smartphone sales and pushes ahead with a turnaround plan. The Waterloo, Ont.-based company said that some employees were shifted to different roles while others were laid off. BlackBerry has shed thousands of jobs since it began restructuring operations under chief executive John Chen, who has focused on shifting priorities since he joined in November 2013. At the peak of success, BlackBerry had about 20,000 employees across the world. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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the big question

Do people get more prejudiced with age?

"They're from a different time" is the oft-repeated excuse for a racist grandma or an elderly neighbour who throws slurs around without a second thought. And it's true — standards of polite conversation have changed. But that doesn't explain why, for instance, Atticus Finch, the crusading hero of Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird, is revealed as cranky and racist in his older age in the newly published Go Set a Watchman. Now, researchers at the University of Queensland may have an explanation for why Atticus and so many others become intolerant as they get older: a change in the frontal lobes, the first part of the brain to start winding down as we age. This atrophy doesn't affect intelligence but does reduce our ability to inhibit irrelevant or inappropriate thoughts. That could be why seniors often struggle to find the right word — and why they tend to voice the kinds of thoughts that would have had their younger selves zipping their lips. SOURCE: BBC

I love the Stampede, but 4 deaths? Unacceptable.

Samantha Emann
Metro | Toronto

Years ago, my family owned a standardbred horse named J N Buckshot. Better known as "Bucky," he was beautiful to watch and work with. One day, we stood at the fence at Georgian Downs, north of Toronto, to watch a race that we were pretty sure was going to end with his first win.

But early in the race something went horrifically wrong. I remember my father, sister and others running frantically onto the track. Bucky's cannon bone had snapped, his leg broken almost clean off. I remember being told we would have to euthanize him right there. It wasn't easy to witness. It hasn't been easy to forget.

And it was on my mind when I heard of the four chuckwagon horses that died during this year's Calgary Stampede, some from racehorse injuries as common as the one that felled Bucky.

Having grown up in the harness-racing world, I can say with confidence that the vast majority of people involved in equine sports, including the Stampede, treat the animals with utmost care.

And when I spoke to Dr. Wayne Burwash, a Calgary veterinarian with decades of experience who has worked with the Stampede, he told me the event's inspection and monitoring processes have been continually improved and modernized over the years. To him, they're impressively thorough.

Nonetheless, for four horses to die at one Stampede — in one event — is unacceptable. Worse yet, the body count wasn't a wild aberration: 50 horses have died in Stampede chuckwagon races since 1986, an average of 1.7 per year. No matter how well intentioned and rigorous the various regulating bodies already are, the goal should be zero deaths — and if inspection and monitoring can't be improved, then maybe the rules of competition need to be.

The Vancouver Humane Society has called for the suspension of chuckwagon racing and for a panel of equine professionals to convene and look into possible changes. That could include harsher penalties for those who make risky moves that put horses in danger. (Driver error caused at least one of this year's chuckwagon deaths.) I think this is the right thing to do, provided it isn't treated as a cynical public-relations stunt.

I love horse racing and would never want to see it shut down. But the fact that at least one horse is statistically likely to die during every year's Stampede chuckwagon event means that more changes are not just possible but urgently necessary.

More can always be done to protect the animals that are so integral to the sport and so loved by those who work with them.

Having grown up in the harness-racing world, I can say with confidence that the vast majority of people involved in equine sports treat the animals with utmost care.

Samantha Emann is a copy editor at Metro. She has spent more than a decade in different aspects of Ontario's harness-racing industry.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

The real faux pas is littering, and it's not like fixing that is tough

The Cadboro Bay beachcombers are basking in a few minutes of fame: my parents have circulated among their four children an online video they star in.

It's only a minute long but it says a lot about Mum and Dad. "Stewards of Cadboro Bay," it's called, and it was shot by a man who, like my parents, visits the Victoria beach in the quiet early mornings, long after the teenage partiers have left and long before the small children show up.

The man noticed that as my parents walk the dog, they pick up litter. One morning, at about 6.30 a.m., he asked if he could interview them.

"He just said, 'I'm collecting stories of people who've been involved in making our world a little bit better,'" Dad tells me. The video was posted to a website called Mobilizing Hope. In simple terms, with sleepy eyes, my parents recount their Good Samaritan routine.

They've been doing it for as long as I can remember: at parks, schoolyards and parking lots. Mum remembers TV ads when she was a little girl claiming that "every litter bit hurts." "I think I've pretty well always been a garbage picker-upper," she says.

"Your dad has taken it to another level," Mum adds. They toss the garbage, bring the recyclables home ("Not so much the cardboard pizza boxes") and donate anything with a deposit value to homeless people.

The routine has its perks. Mum once came home with a pineapple. ("It was delicious.")

They now own a dress-up wig with purple streaks. My dad's found the odd full beer.

"I found a pair of short white rubber boots; I'm keeping those."

If something has been lying around for a few weeks and no one's claimed it, my parents might.

"Like the towel the dog's lying on right now," Mum notes. "The rubber boots were there for three months, left with a bunch of other garbage."

The clothing gets donated to charity shops, the student wallets returned to the university's lost-and-found office.

For a long time, I found it all mortifying. I hated when they picked up garbage around my friends. I would have died before admitting they'd eaten a pineapple off the beach.

As if cleaning up were a faux pas. And yet, so few do it.

"I don't know why that is," Mum says.

Neither do I. Maybe we're afraid of germs. Maybe we think it's not our job to clean up after other people. But the real faux pas is littering, and it's not like fixing that problem is a tough one.

You might even luck into a pineapple.

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Sparkling wine Korean-style

An assortment of makgeolli, the sparkling Korean rice wine MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OFFBEAT REFRESHER

Hard to say but easier to love, makgeolli is a versatile bubbly

Bubbles are the beverage of the moment, particularly bubbles that aren't Champagne. It's a trend that has folks clamouring for cava and prosecco, but for some reason nobody is talking about makgeolli.

That might have something to do with most people not knowing how to pronounce it, or what it is. But if you like bubbles — and if something lightly sweet and refreshing sounds about right for summer — makgeolli (pronounced MACH-go-lee, though spelled any number of ways) is an offbeat sparkling wine worth getting to know. Not that it will be easy.

Makgeolli is a fermented rice wine from Korea, and you may have to hunt a bit to find it in Canada. Some LCBOs in Ontario sell it, and in other provinces your best bet is at liquor stores located in or near Asian communities.

Koreans have been making makgeolli for centuries; it started as the alcohol of choice among farmers. But in recent decades it has become more fashionable and moved into the cities. Traditionally, it is consumed with fried pancakes made from mung beans and pork. It's a pairing that follows the broader culinary wisdom that sparkling wines pair well with fried and fatty foods, the acidity and effervescence helping to cut through the heavy ingredients.

Though it is lightly sparkling, makgeolli bears little resemblance in taste or appearance to what most of us consider sparkling wines. Because it is unfiltered, it has a creamy white colour and a slight viscosity. The flavour is tangy and lightly sweet with lots of citrus in the background. It's meant to be consumed young and packs just six to nine per cent alcohol.

Even the packaging can be a bit disarming. It is almost always sold in plastic soda-style bottles (and, at least in Korea, often alongside sugary beverages). THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MAKING THE MOST OF MAKGEOLLI

Chilled beverage pairs well

Once you find it, how do you drink it? Chilled, of course. And with fried chicken, Asian take-out, barbecue pork ribs, even burgers and sausages off the grill. Just be sure to gently turn the bottle upside down a few times before opening. Because the wine is unfiltered, sediment will collect at the bottom.

It's also an awesome mixer

Want to get more creative? Makgeolli also makes a great mixer.

- Try it 1:1 with pineapple juice.
- Or get fancy and doctor up that blend with some lime juice and cream of coconut, then pour the whole thing over ice.
- For a frozen version of the same drink, shown at left, toss the pineapple juice, lime juice, cream of coconut and some ice in a blender. Blend until smooth, then stir in makgeolli.
- Or for a shandy-style cooler, try makgeolli cut with lemonade.

FOOD INNOVATION

Seaweed dulse that is not only good for you, it tastes like bacon!

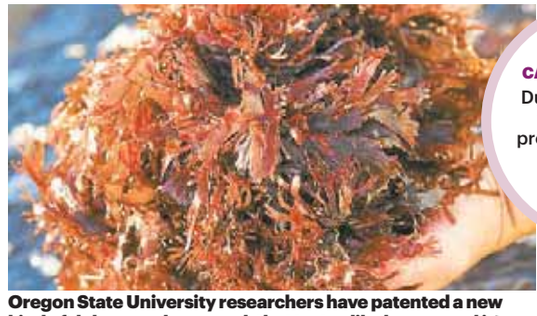
Vegans, vegetarians and anyone else missing bacon, Oregon State University has your back.

Last week, researchers at the Newport school patented a new strain of a well-known algae, dulse, that has been grown for centuries. Except the new version tastes like bacon when cooked.

Even better news: Dulse 2.0 also grows fast, has a ton of protein and is packed with minerals, vitamins and antioxidants.

"In Europe, they add the powder to smoothies, or add flakes onto food," lead researcher Chris Langdon said in a press release. "There hasn't been a lot of interest in using it in a fresh form. But this stuff is pretty amazing. When you fry it, which I have done, it tastes like bacon, not seaweed. And it's a pretty strong bacon flavor."

The red seaweed that looks like translucent lettuce was first grown as a superfood for abalone, which it was successful atL A producer in Hawaii is churning out abalone faster than the sea snails' usual growth rate thanks to OSU's Hatfield Marine Science Center.



Oregon State University researchers have patented a new kind of dulse, a red seaweed, that tastes like bacon, and it's sparking foodie innovation all over Portland. CONTRIBUTED

VEGAN FRIENDLY CARNIVORE FLAVOUR

Dulse 2.0 also grows fast, has a ton of protein and is packed with minerals, vitamins and antioxidants.

But when a business-minded colleague at the university stopped by head researcher Chris Langdon's office, he saw the red algae growing in a tank and suggested developing it for the human market.

That colleague, Chuck Tooms, took the dulse to the university's Food Innovation Center in Portland, where it was made into several foods including a cracker and salad dressing. Several chefs in the city are testing it in their dishes.

Though northern Europeans caught onto the nutritional value of dulse centuries ago, there are no facilities that grow it for human consumption in the U.S. yet. But Tooms' MBA students are already working on a business plan to market it. EVA KIS/METRO NEW YORK

Serve homemade fish tacos with juicy wedges of lime and tequila shots for a fresh take on entertaining fare. CONTRIBUTED

Fish the taco the town

MEXICAN FLAIR

How to turn hot food trend into party fare

NUTRI-BITES
Theresa Albert
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You can't spit these days without hitting a fish taco; every menu sports one to varying degrees of success.

I even saw a version in the freezer section last week. They were called "tacquitos" and were rolled burrito style but their disguise was thin because it was right then that I knew then that the fad had become a trend.

So what are the elements of a good fish taco? And, how can you cash in on the latest party-pleasing hit?

Delivery system

By nature, fish is flimsy and can't be easily lifted to your lips with your fingers once cooked. Soft corn taco shells are the best because they are solid and yet bendable. Soft flour tortillas will suffice but don't add that authentic layer of corn savoury.

Hard corn taco shells will never do: They take over delicate flavours and make one monster of a mess.

Fish filling

White fish works best. Whether you choose to simply pan fry or batter/bread and deep fry/bake, flaky, quick-cooking, low oil fish is a must.

Oregano, garlic, salt and pepper is really all you need because the topping carries the day and the salsa adds the zip.

Topping

Thinly shaved cabbage, green onion, lettuce and cilantro work well. But keep any dressing light in flavour but thick in texture.

No one wants the drizzle of vinegar down their forearms nor goopy mayo to take on a leading role.

Salsa sauce

Do yourself a favour and experiment. Guacamole keeps it all together but hot sauces rule the roost.

Try putting your favourite tomatillo salsa through a sieve to remove any water and thicken to a spoon-able, rather than pourable, highlight.

No matter what, tequila and big wedges of lime shift any lame attempt the trend toward a Mexican fiesta.

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THIRST QUENCHER

Pilsner builds up a head of Steam

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With the malt-loving masses drinking ale like it's the water of life, it's hard for a lager maker to catch a break.

That's why it's encouraging to see a brewery like Ontario's Steam Whistle making inroads across Canada with their take of the classic European Pilsner.

When it was first brewed back 1842 in the Czech Republic's city of Pilsen (where it's still made), the Pilsner style of lager, with its sensual body and mellow, palate-tingling flavour, was the beer world's equivalent of The Beatles.

Canadians have been chasing its celebrity for decades, with Labatt Blue arguably our most well-known interpretation.

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY

'Smart cap' could prevent crying over spoiled milk

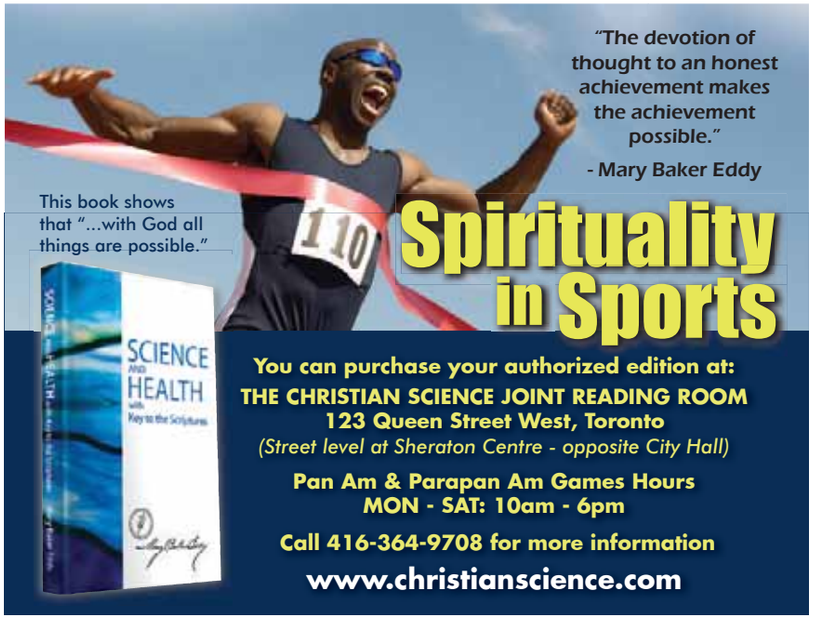
The possibilities of 3D-printing technology are being furthered with the development of a wireless "smart cap" that fits onto a milk carton and uses embedded sensors to detect signs of spoilage.

Engineers at the University of California, Berkeley, together with colleagues at Taiwan's National Chiao Tung University, have been working to expand the possibilities of 3D-printing technology, with the smart cap their latest step.

What had been missing until now, according to Berkeley News, was the ability to produce sensitive electric components.

The team published their findings on Monday in the journal Microsystems & Nanoengineering.

"Our paper describes the first demonstration of 3D printing for working basic electrical components, as well as a working wireless sensor," said senior author Liwei Lin. AFP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CELEBRITY PETS

Affleck kids get a puppy post-divorce

An adorable golden retriever being in the hands of the Affleck family has everything to do with the divorce, gossip columnists speculate. GETTY IMAGES

The latest wrinkle in the Ben Affleck-Jennifer Garner break-up appears to be small, furry and utterly adorable.

Some eager paparazzi spotted Affleck in Georgia this week — where Garner is filming, their three kids along for the trip — cradling the gosh darn cutest golden retriever puppy you ever did see.

And Garner herself was spotted over the weekend taking their youngest son to Party City to pick up some balloons with paw prints on them.

This can only mean one thing: It's a divorce puppy, weaponized cuteness meant to ease the impact on the kids of the big change.

According to Us Weekly, the puppy was actually adopted by the family in May, but that still lines up timing-wise.

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IN BRIEF

The Voice co-stars say Blake Sheldon's divorce did him a world of good

The divorce announcement from Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert was certainly a surprise — unless you work on The Voice, apparently.

"Blake is in a much better mood this season that he was when he was married to Miranda. Everyone on the show knew that it was just a matter of time before him and Miranda were done," a source tells Radar Online.

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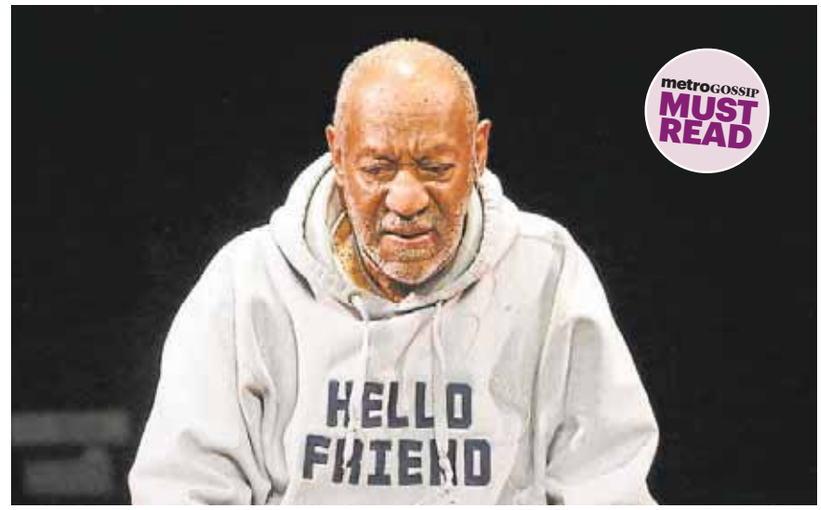
British women more loyal to their hairdresser than their boyfriends: Survey

Do you love your hairdresser more than your boyfriend? If so, you're not alone — according to a new survey commissioned by babtac.com, one quarter of British women would rather cheat on their partner than their hairstylist.

Also according to the poll, almost half of the women surveyed agree that a good hairdresser is harder to find than a good man. AFP

Quaaludes: The Molly of the '70s



Bill Cosby said in court documents that he kept Quaaludes on hand because they were the drug of choice for young people partying in the '70s. The drug was prescribed as a sleeping pill and sedative, but was known to produce a euphoric effect when mixed with alcohol. GETTY IMAGES

SCANDAL

Cosby news puts spotlight on decades-old party drug

Before there was Molly there was the Quaalude, the most popular party drug of the 1970s.

It was also, as we now know, the one Bill Cosby kept on hand to give to young women he wanted to have sex with.

In 10-year-old testimony uncovered this week, Cosby said he would offer the drug "the same as a person would say, 'Have a drink.'"

He never tried to sneak any of it into someone's drink, he added, as many others did during those years. But when asked whether a woman who accused him of drugging and sexually assaulting her in 1976 could have resisted him while on Quaaludes, he replied, "I don't know."

One thing is certain. The drug, outlawed in the United States since 1982, was hugely popular 40 years ago.

People routinely swallowed it with their drinks at nightclubs from coast to coast.

The 13-year-old girl with whom Roman Polanski pleaded guilty to having unlawful sexual intercourse in 1977 said the Oscar-winning director plied her with champagne and half a Quaalude before raping her at Jack Nicholson's house. Polanski fled to France in 1978 to avoid a long prison sentence and continues to live there as a fugitive.

Holly Madison, in her recently published memoir, Down the Rabbit Hole: Curious Adventures and Cautionary Tales of a Former Playboy Bunny, writes that Hugh Hefner once offered her a handful of Quaaludes.

"'Usually, I don't approve of drugs, but you know, in the '70s they used to call these pills thigh openers,'" she says he told her. Hefner has declined to discuss Madison's book.

At one point during Cosby's testimony for a lawsuit he eventually settled out of court, he said he had seven different prescriptions for Quaaludes.

But Cosby said in the deposition that he wanted them for non-medical reasons.

"Quaaludes happen to be the drug that kids, young people were using to party with and there were times when I wanted to have them just in case," he said.

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DARK HUMOUR

Apatow does Cosby impression

Judd Apatow, a self-proclaimed "troll in the corner," delivered a spot-on Bill Cosby impression on The Tonight Show.

Apatow, who apparently also does standup, was paddling his way through a so-so set before landing on a pretty searing Cosby bit. "My wife said to me, 'What is this in the paper about the raping and the drugging and the women,'" Apatow said with a well-practised impression.

"And I said, 'Do you like your life? Do you like the house and the jet? Well then have a cappuccino and shut the floink up.'"

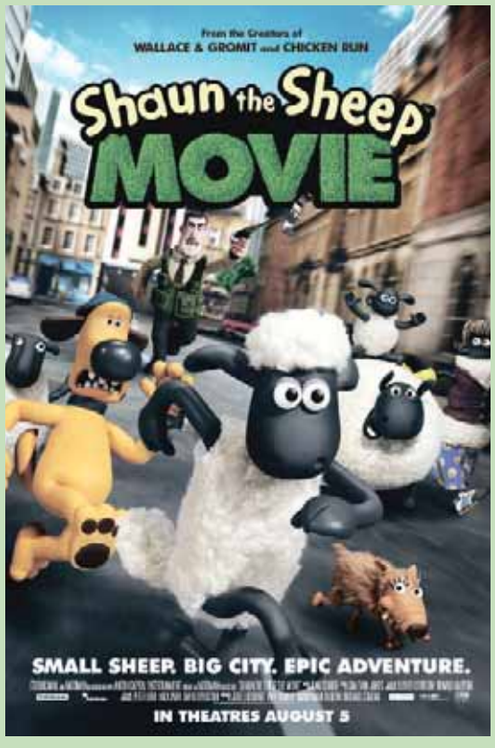
Apatow has been on a bit of a "crusade" against Cosby and was recently quoted at a movie premiere crediting himself with keeping the Cosby-rape conversation alive.

"I just thought that nobody was talking about it, and that was very sad that he hurt so many people," Apatow reportedly said.

Yes, Judd, nice work. Thank you so much for bringing the subject to light.

No one has been talking about Cosby drugging and raping women at all.

You're the first. NED EHRBAR/METRO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Jon Stewart's final countdown

FAREWELLS

Beloved comedian on home stretch

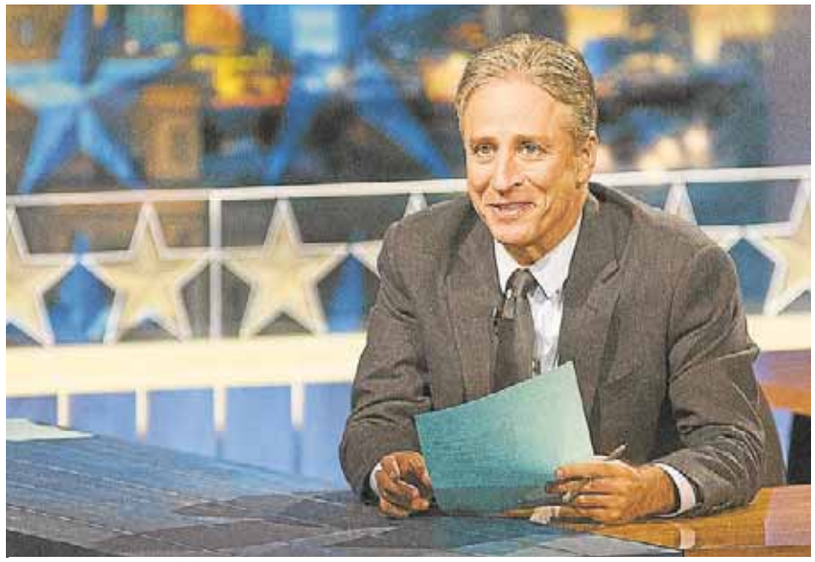
Jon Stewart enters the final weeks of his 16 years on Comedy Central's The Daily Show before he signs off for good on Aug. 6.

Stewart's exit, the latest in a year of upheaval in late-night television, will be felt most acutely over the next 15 months as the U.S. approaches its first presidential election since 1996 without his comic take.

Attesting to Stewart's cultural import, U.S. President Barack Obama was booked for his seventh appearance on the show Tuesday night.

Stewart, who started on The Daily Show in 1999, cited restlessness in announcing his exit last February.

During a recent appearance on The Daily Show, film director Judd Apatow said he sensed that feeling even before the announcement when he interviewed Stewart by phone for a just-released book.



Jon Stewart signs off for good on Aug. 6. GETTY IMAGES

"I think it was that one moment when you were saying, 'Oh, God, I'm out of gas. What am I going to do?"' Apatow said to Stewart's laughter.

When Seth MacFarlane mentioned that he was feeling burned out, Stewart told him, "Let me tell you my solution. Quit."

An audience member shouted out, "We love you!"

"That's not love," Stewart shot back. "Love is taking soup to a sick friend. Love is not saying, 'Do more shows! Entertain me!"'

> **He's aware that time is winding down. Regret is not there.**
>
> Adam Lowitt, executive producer on The Daily Show

Adam Lowitt, an executive producer on The Daily Show, said he's had no sense his boss is second-guessing his decision.

"Even around the office, he seems to be relishing the place that he's in right now and taking in every aspect of the show and the people that work there," Lowitt said. "He's aware that time is winding down. Regret is not there."

Still, as Stewart stifled laughter before delivering a comic lecture directed at New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie on the show last month, he couldn't resist the aside, "I'm going to miss this a little bit."

Stewart was animated, almost gleeful, on the day Donald Trump announced his candidacy for president. The jokes poured out — sometimes a facial expression or exaggerated New York accent was all that was needed — as Stewart said Trump was putting him in a comedy hospice with injections of straight morphine.

Stewart's value was evident for a different reason after the Charleston, N.C. church massacre. He opened the show by admitting he had no jokes, then delivered an impassioned monologue on his frustration about the lack of will in combatting mass shootings.

With Letterman's retirement, Stewart was the only person in late-night TV with the gravitas to pull that off.

Stewart, who took the summer off two years ago to make a movie, hasn't said what he's doing next. Lowitt is staying on to work for Stewart's Daily Show successor, South African comedian Trevor Noah, who is keeping the same staff when he starts on Sept. 28.

It ensures the sensibility of The Daily Show will remain, even if Stewart doesn't.

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Crossover gets sleek makeover

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THE CHECKLIST | 2015 NISSAN MURANO

THE BASICS

Type. Four-door, five-passenger midsize crossover/SUV.
Engine (hp). 3.5-litre V6 (260)
Transmission. Continuously variable (CVT)
Price. Base $29,998, as-tested $43,498 (plus destination)

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POINTS

- The Murano features "zero gravity" seats, which stay comfortable and supportive even on long drives.
- All models include a backup camera, while the SL and Platinum add a 360-degree version with simulated overhead view.
- By using more lightweight materials, Nissan has reduced the Murano's weight by approximately 65 kilograms, which in turn helps to improve fuel economy.
- The folding rear seats have a power-up feature on the Platinum trim.

MARKET POSITION

The 2015 is the first Murano built in the U.S. Although the compact Nissan Rogue sells far more models in Canada, the Murano is an important vehicle for the company and the remake should keep it high on the list.

THE COMPETITION

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Toyota Venza
Base price: $29,930

Chevrolet Equinox
Base price: $26,405

REVIEW

High grades for alert response, new design of Nissan Murano

Jil McIntosh
For Metro

Whether or not it actually was the "first crossover" when it debuted for 2003, I recall being very impressed with the Nissan Murano when I first got behind its wheel back then. And I like it just as much now, as it debuts as an all-new, third-generation model for 2015.

The styling is considerably different, with sharp creases and blacked-out rear window surround that Nissan says gives the impression that the roof is "floating" atop the glass (and perhaps it does, from a distance anyway, although I really have no qualms about a roof looking like it's firmly attached). I like this new design, and visibility is good in spite of the sharp kick-up behind the rear doors. It's also slightly longer and wider than the outgoing version, as well as a bit lower.

Power comes from a 3.5-litre V6 engine that makes 260 horsepower. It's mated to a continuously variable transmission (CVT), an automatic unit that uses a belt and pulleys instead of gears for improved fuel economy. These can sometimes feel a bit "rubbery" as they adjust to the engine's speed, but Nissan has tuned this one so well that all you notice is how smoothly the engine and transmission work together.

The Murano comes in front-wheel drive, starting at $29,998. It's also available in all-wheel drive, beginning at $35,998, while I drove the top-line Platinum AWD at $43,498. That felt pricey, but this trim line exclusively includes such features as LED headlights, heated and cooled front seats, and heated rear seats. The Platinum model also adds intelligent cruise control that adjusts its speed to the vehicle in front, hits the brakes to avoid collisions if the driver doesn't, and "watches" two cars in front for potential problems.

> **You never forget how big it is, but it's never cumbersome.**

Get behind the wheel, and while it's certainly no sports car, the Murano is a truly decent driver, with light but communicative steering, and a smooth ride. You never forget how big it is, but it's never cumbersome thanks to its quick but controlled response. More than a decade after it first hit the market, I still put the Murano among the top in the midsize crossover segment.

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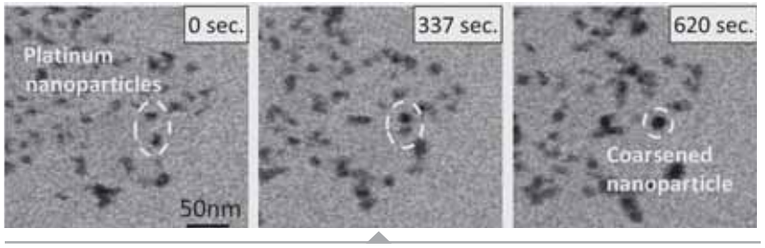

RESEARCH

Toyota moves toward better fuel-cell reactions

Toyota has announced a breakthrough in the real-time observation of fuel-cell catalyst degradation that could lead to a new generation of more efficient and durable fuel-cell stacks. A new technique allows researchers to monitor the behaviour of nanometer-sized platinum particles during chemical reactions in fuel cells, in which platinum nanoparticles "coarsen," reducing their effectiveness over time.

HYBRIDS

Outlander PHEV backs up homes

Mitsubishi's Outlander PHEV plug-in hybrid tall wagon has been approved for vehicle-to-home (V2H) power usage in Japan. In the event of an electrical outage, Outlander PHEV owners in Japan will be able to power their homes using the vehicle as its sole source. While other manufacturers have developed vehicle-to-home power technology, the Outlander PHEV is the first plug-in hybrid electric vehicle to actually offer that capability.

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CONCEPT CARS

VW shows off sporty design

Plug-in hybrid power is at the core of Volkswagen's 2.0 litres/100 km, 155-mph Sport Coupé Concept GTE. The car is aimed at upwardly mobile buyers who seek performance and environmental responsibility. The "Grand Touring Electric" is a dramatically styled fastback concept that uses a turbocharged 3.0-litre V6 engine making 295 horsepower and 369 pound-feet of torque. A lithium-ion battery powers two electric motors: A 54-horsepower front motor is incorporated in the six-speed automatic transmission; the rear electric motor adds 114 horsepower for the rear wheels. The combined output of 374 horsepower is good for a zero-to-100-km/h time of 5.0 seconds, according to Volvo. It can also be driven on electricity for about 50 kilometres.

TECHNOLOGY

Hybrid power boosts 3 Series

BMW has freshened its benchmark 3 Series compact sedan and introduced a turbocharged three-cylinder plug-in hybrid option to its powertrain lineup. All of the engines in the updated 3 Series have been reworked to combine better fuel economy with more power, reports Gizmag, but it's at the bottom end of the gasoline lineup where BMW has made the biggest changes. Its updated 318i model is fitted with the three-cylinder plug-in hybrid driveline, marking the first time BMW has ever used a three-cylinder engine in its midsize car. It delivers a quoted 4.5 litres/100 km and zips from zero to 100 km/h in a class-respectable 8.9 seconds.

GREENER FUEL

New synthetic gasoline burns cleaner

Audi has developed synthetic natural gas and synthetic diesel. Now, reports MotorAuthority, Audi has developed a synthetic gasoline that it calls e-benzin. The process begins by fermenting corn-derived glucose to produce isobutene, which is introduced to hydrogen, transforming it into isooctane, the key component in gasoline that can be used to power a vehicle, and the standard from which the octane rating system was derived. In its pure form, it would be labelled Unleaded 100. Containing no sulphur or benzene, "it burns very cleanly."

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Chrysler 200 a roomy ride

USED VEHICLE

Be mindful of transmission in 2011-2014 models

The Chrysler 200 Convertible sought to provide Canadian shoppers with affordable access to a family-ready convertible motoring experience. Copies are available for very reasonable money in the used car market, and as this machine is built on a family-sedan platform, it's got plenty of space for top-down family cruising.

Look for feature content including Bluetooth, heated power seats, numerous convertible roof options, navigation, a Boston Acoustics stereo system and more. A top-line Chrysler 200 Convertible "S" model value-bundled numerous must-have features and cosmetic upgrades.

The test drive

Drive the 200 Convertible with an eye for any clumsiness and harshness from the transmission, which may indicate problems with the programming of the computer that controls it. Usually, updated software fixes the issue. If you provide your local Chrysler dealer with the VIN number of the model you're considering, they'll be able to tell you if the updated transmission software has been uploaded into the gearbox of the car you're considering.

Next, check out the climate control system. Be sure the air conditioner works, and then check to make sure that you get heat out of the vents on both sides of the cabin when called upon. Clogged or leaky heater cores may be a potential issue on a used Chrysler 200, which could negatively affect the ability to deliver heat in colder months. Other signs of trouble here may include low coolant levels, or the smell of coolant in the car. It's a sort of sugary, sweet, slightly burned smell. Look for it with your nose.

Finally, if your potential used 200 candidate makes a clicking, popping or thumping noise while you steer at

> **it's got plenty of space for top-down family cruising.**

low speeds, or while stopped, the tie rods may need to be replaced. Visit a mechanic for further investigation.

Run the powered roof through its paces several times, noting any error messages displayed in the instrument cluster, and being on the lookout for signs of strain or binding. Inspect the top for signs of abrasion or rubbing, which could indicate an issue. Ensure all rubber seals are plump, intact and free of damage, and thoroughly inspect the floor of the cabin and trunk for signs of moisture, which could indicate a leak.

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Engines

Look for four- or six-cylinder power, from a 2.4-litre engine, or a 3.6-litre engine, respectively. With horsepower approaching the 300 mark and decent fuel mileage, the six-cylinder engine is ideal for the driving enthusiast. All models got an automatic transmission.

What owners like

Owners report satisfaction with overall value, styling, a classy cabin, and decent-for-a-convertible trunk space with the roof up. The premium stereo system and comfortable seats are highly rated as well.

What owners dislike

Some owners wish for higher performance from the four-cylinder engine, and complain about limited trunk space when the convertible top is folded into the trunk.

The verdict

A used Chrysler 200 with a thumbs-up from a Chrysler mechanic after a pre-purchase inspection should prove an affordable and comfortable way to access a family convertible motoring experience.

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SAFETY

Virtual reality tour to highlight dangers of distracted driving

AT&T is partnering with Google, Samsung and Bose on an interactive campaign aimed at underlining the dangers of smartphone use while driving.

Central to the campaign called It Can Wait is a virtual reality experience designed to put consumers in the driving seat and help them to understand the huge potential consequences of taking just a quick glance at their phone's screen rather than keeping both eyes on the road.

When AT&T starts touring the U.S. later this year it will be inviting people in each of the 100 cities it will be visiting to experience the simulator for themselves via the Samsung Gear VR headset.

But to ensure that as many drivers as possible get the message, 100,000 Google Cardboard viewers are also being given away free of charge during the campaign. So, as long as a person has a compatible Android headset, they can download and try the app for themselves. AFP

Samsung Galaxy Gear VR SAMSUNG

Rise and fall of the 'vocho'

CULTURE

In Mexico City, once beloved Beetle car nearly extinct

It was a symbol of the Mexico City landscape, zooming, honking and fuming in the mega-capital's infamously dense traffic.

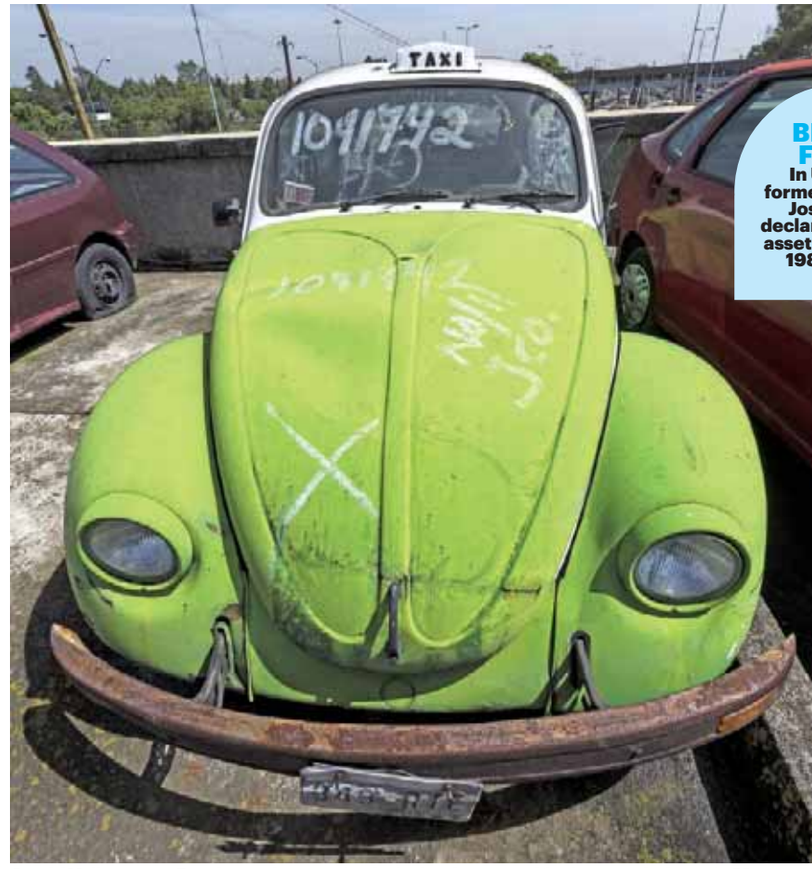
But the beloved Volkswagen Beetle is nearly extinct, a victim of anti-pollution campaigns.

A few "vochos," as the curvy car is known in Mexico, can still be spotted occasionally in the city's chaotic streets while so-called "Vochomania" clubs of collectors try to keep it alive.

But the once ubiquitous white and green — and later red and gold — Beetle taxis that clogged boulevards are gone from the metropolis, home to 20 million people and four million cars.

"We could have thought about keeping a few in the historic centre to preserve the symbol. But it wasn't meant to be," said Rodrigo Diaz, an urban planning consultant who writes a blog on transport issues.

The unceremonious demise of the vocho is surprising for a country that has had a long love affair with the Beetle.



An old Volkswagen Beetle used as a taxi cab sits in a large yard for impounded cars in Mexico City. The car was once ubiquitous in the metropolis — but times have changed. OMAR TORRES/AFP

BEETLE FEVER
In Uruguay, former president José Mujica declared only one asset in 2010: his 1987 Beetle.

Instantly popular

The "people's car" born in Germany in the politically charged 1930s arrived in Mexico in 1954, where it became an instant hit.

Mexicans, seeing it as an affordable, easy to fix and a fun ride, scooped up 50,000 Beetles in just one year. It was quickly adopted by taxi drivers and the Volkswagen was given the diminutive nickname, vocho.

"In case of a breakdown, you could replace the fan belt with panty hose," recalled Ricardo, a nostalgic taxi driver.

The car's success prompted Volkswagen to build a plant in the central state of Puebla in 1964. By 1973, a third of cars sold in Mexico were vochos.

During that era, the Beetle became the most produced single model car in history with 15 million vehicles made, overtaking Ford's Model T.

Sheen wears off

But after the era of the oil crisis, the Beetle began to lose its charm. It was suddenly seen as too polluting, too noisy and too uncomfortable.

Its backseat was too hard compared to newer vehicles. Taxi drivers often removed the passenger seat. When the driver hit the brakes too hard, the passenger risked flying through the windshield.

Worse, in the late 1990s, criminals turned the Beetle into a trap for "express" kidnappings and robberies, transforming the "Love Bug" into a villainous vocho.

The Beetle taxis were repainted in white and green in an attempt to refurbish their tarnished image. The colours were later changed to red and gold. But the new body paint was not enough as passengers preferred newer, safer and more comfortable rides.

The last vocho was built in 2003 in Puebla, at the world's last Beetle assembly plant.

Taxi drivers were offered $1,000 to get rid of them. In 2012, there were still 3,500 Beetle taxis, but they were gradually sent to junkyards.

The capital's taxis are now four-door vehicles with a rear trunk, like in most major world cities.

Where they are now

Beetle aficionados can still find a few taxi-vochos but they have to venture into tourist towns such as Taxco, where they are painted red, or Acapulco, where they are white and blue.

"Unlike London with its double-decker buses, San Francisco and Lisbon with their cable cars, or Valparaiso with its funicular, Mexico didn't declare this vehicle a part of its historic heritage," Diaz, the blogger, lamented. "It's a shame."

At least one white and green taxi can still be seen: in a museum in Berlin. It was sent by Mexico City in 2008 as a gift, in a sort of return-to-sender gesture after a 50-year love affair. AFP

CUSTOM MADE

Classic Steve McQueen supercar heads to auction

Steve McQueen's 1976 Porsche 911 (930) Turbo Carrera. DAVID NEWHARDT/COURTESY MECUM AUCTIONS

When an immaculately preserved first-generation Porsche 911 Turbo comes up for auction, it's only right to expect a little frisson of excitement among the classic Porsche collecting community.

However, when that car once belonged to none other than Steve McQueen, those excitement levels have been known to go off the charts.

And that's exactly what auctioneers Mecum are anticipating when McQueen's 1976 Porsche 911 (930) Turbo Carrera goes under the hammer on August 13-15 as part of the Mecum Daytime Auction in Monterey, Calif.

The McQueen factor, as it's known in auction house circles, is something unquantifiable. If the iconic Hollywood star owned it, came into contact with it or endorsed it, its value can rocket. Such is the aura that surrounds the man and his mythology. For example, TAG Heuer reissued the "Monaco" chronograph because McQueen sports one in the publicity poster for his 1971 passion project film, Le Mans.

But McQueen was as consummate a racing driver and mechanic as he was a leading man, and what makes this particular piece of memorabilia so important is that it was the final car he ordered, specified and customized before his untimely death, aged 50 due to complications from mesothelioma cancer.

"This car is rich in history," said McQueen's son Chad. "This is the last of the McQueen cars, really. That's known. That's real."

The car was specified with dual side mirrors — believe it or not, a very unusual request in the 1970s — a sunroof and a limited-slip differential for better cornering grip and control at the limits. The star understood what happens when a rear-engined car is fitted with a turbocharger. However, he also had a couple of other special features added.

"My dad had little things done to it," Chad says. "Like on the dashboard, he had a switch put on so it would kill the rear lights in case he was being chased on Mulholland Drive."

This fear of being caught by the cops while on a nighttime cruise also goes to explain why he specified overtaking mirrors for both sides of the car. AFP

DONATION

The Boys Republic — a reform school in Chino Hills, Calif., that bad-boy-turned-good McQueen credited with turning his life around — will receive a portion of the sale price when the car goes under the hammer. While there is no official estimate given for this car, it is being speculated that it could fetch about $1.5 million.

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Ford loses ground in sales race

MARKET

A look at the fortunes of automakers at 2015 midpoint

AUTO PILOT

Mike Goetz

The end of June is officially "half-time" for the Canadian car and truck sales market — a great time to take a look at who's hot and who's not, see how the overall market is shaking up, and to rehydrate on the sidelines with various overly hyped sports drinks and/or watermelon.

The overall market is up slightly (2.6 per cent) when compared to last year's first half.

Ford was Canada's top-selling automaker last year, but right now it's in second place behind Chrysler.

The ground that Ford lost seems to be have taken up by GM, Toyota, Nissan and Volkswagen, all of whom are having great sales successes so far in 2015.

Jeep Cherokee is one of several compact crossovers on pace to have a great sales year. HANDOUT

When it comes to individual nameplates, the usual suspects are once again leading the pack: the full-size pickups from Ford, Ram and GM, the Honda Civic and Toyota Corolla compact sedans, and the Ford Escape and RAV4 compact crossovers.

Nameplates that had a particularly great first half of 2015 include Nissan Rogue (up 21.7 per cent compared to last year), Toyota RAV4 (up 26.4 per cent), Jeep Cherokee (up 30.8 per cent), Kia Soul (up 46.1 per cent) and Volkswagen Golf (up 300 per cent).

High-volume nameplates that seem to going the other way include Ford Fusion, Honda Accord, Dodge Dart and Hyundai Elantra.

Their sales slides probably have more to do with the crossovers of every shape and price point continuing to win more and more buyers than any declining goodness of those fine passenger cars.

Fiat is also experiencing some sales pain. Even with a few new models in the mix, they are selling at a pace that is down 34 per cent compared to the same six months of 2014.

Minivans are also in a dog-fight with those crossovers, and their sales numbers are declining, but Canadians still love those big utility beasts and buy lots of them.

And as that wise sage Yogi Berra once opined, "It ain't over till it's over." And the 2015 sales year ain't over yet — it's just halftime. Play on!

Performance of nameplates YTD 2015

(percentage change compared to January through June 2014)

SOURCE: CVMA AND GLOBAL AUTOMAKERS OF CANADA

Top sellers

- Volkswagen Golf 10,416 (300%)
- Jeep Cherokee 13,443 (30.8%)
- Toyota RAV4 20,380 (26.4%)
- Nissan Rouge 16,902 (21.7%)
- Toyota Camry 9,416 (17.3%)
- GMC Sierra 25,846 (17.3%)
- Chevrolet Silverado 21,673 (13.8%)
- Honda CR-V 18,920 (12.8%)
- Mazda CX-5 10,402 (10.6%)
- Ram Pickup 47,010 (9.7%)
- Ford F-Series 56,318 (5.1%)
- Toyota Corolla 25,798 (1.0%)

Declining numbers

- Hyundai Santa Fe Sport 13,676 (-2.8%)
- Jeep Wrangler 11,146 (-2.9%)
- Honda Civic 29,589 (-3.6%)
- Ford Edge 8,760 (-3.7%)
- Dodge Journey 11,859 (-5.4%)
- Ford Escape 23,598 (-6.8%)
- Volkswagen Jetta 15,053 (-8.4%)
- Chevrolet Equinox 9,710 (-8.8%)
- Chevrolet Cruze 15,776 (-9.0%)
- Hyundai Accent 10,287 (-10.1%)
- Mazda3 18,513 (-11.1%)
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Canadian beach volleyballers Taylor Pischke and Melissa Humana-Paredes lost 2-0 to Brazil for bronze

Canadians conquer the air

PAN AM 2015

Barber wins pole vault, Gleadle victor in javelin

Canada's track and field team got off to an impressive start Tuesday as the host country's gold-medal streak at the 2015 Pan American Games continued.

Toronto's Shawnacy Barber equalled a Pan Am record, clearing 5.80 metres to win gold in men's pole vault and Vancouver's Elizabeth Gleadle won gold in women's javelin with a throw of 62.83 metres on her sixth and final attempt.

"I'm having a really phenomenal year for me, I'm hitting the marks that I dreamed of," Barber said.

Barber took the bar all the way up to 5.93 metres, which would have been a record for him and Canada. But, on Tuesday, it was just a height too far.

"Maybe next time," said the 21-year-old, who lives and trains in the U.S. "After you're done and you can go home happy, at that point, it's hard to keep the momentum, especially with a really stressful meet like this."

But he had to try.

"Anything to one-up myself a little bit," he said, with a smile.

That's all Barber really can do in Canada.

He's broken the Canadian pole vault record so many times he doesn't keep count anymore. In May, he brought it up to 5.91 metres, where it still stands.

Argentina's German Chiaraviglio won the silver medal with a 5.75-metre jump, and Americans Jake Blankenship and Mark Hollis tied for bronze at 5.40 metres.

In the javelin, Gleadle was trailing American Kara Winger when she stepped up to take her final throw, clapping her hands to get the crowd going.

"I was thinking 'Oh no, I'd better get it together,'" Gleadle said. "I was standing there and I thought to myself 'I bet the Canadian anthem would sound a whole lot better from the podium if I was on it,' so that inspired me to throw better."

The 26-year-old has four national championships to her name, and became the first woman in her discipline to represent Canada at the Olympics since 1988 when she placed 12th in London three years ago. She's also set new Canadian records four times, most recently in May when she fired the javelin 64.84 metres.

Later Tuesday, Mohammed Ahmed of St. Catharines won the gold medal in the 10,000 metres with a time of 28:49.96, Timothy Nedow, from Brockville, Ont., earned silver in shot put with a throw of 20.53 metres, Sultana Frizell of Perth, Ont., took bronze in the women's hammer throw with a toss of 69.51 metres, while Toronto's Nikkita Holder won bronze in the women's 100 hurdles in 12.85 seconds.

Elsewhere, Canada's women's and men's table tennis teams each came away with a bronze medal. The men lost their semifinal match 3-0 to Brazil while the women fell 3-0 to the United States. THE CANADIAN PRESS WITH FILES FROM TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Elizabeth Gleadle, left, won the women's javelin on her final throw, while Shawnacy Barber won gold by clearing the bar at 5.80 metres in the men's pole vault. MARK BLINCH/THE CANADIAN PRESS; STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

> **My only goal is to keep pushing it up higher.** Shawnacy Barber

CANUCKS WIN GOLD, SILVER IN STEEPLECHASE
Matt Hughes of Oshawa jumps over a hurdle during the men's 3,000-metre steeplechase final at the Pan Am Games in Toronto, Tuesday evening. Hughes won the gold medal in a time of 8:32.18, while Alex Genest of Shawinigan, Que., took silver. MARK HUMPHREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

De Grasse takes centre stage

It was just a heat, but all eyes were on Andre De Grasse on Tuesday.

Every time the 20-year-old from Markham steps on the track, people wonder if he's about to break 100-metre Canadian record.

DeGrasse was first spotted at a high school track meet — running in basketball shorts — just three years ago and he's already the first Canadian since Donovan Bailey in 2000 to run a sub-10 second 100.

Earlier this month, at nationals in Edmonton, he lowered his personal best to 9.95 seconds and became the first sprinter of any nationality to run a sub-10 on Canadian soil in a decade and a half.

It seems inevitable that before long, he'll take the Canadian record of 9.84 co-held by Bailey and Bruny Surin.

But that's not the sort of speed he needed to advance in the heats on Tuesday at the Pan Ams, as De Grasse won his heat in a 10.06 time to advance to Wednesday's semifinal.

Canada's other 100-metre hopeful, Gavin Smellie, was disqualified for a false start in another heat. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

FAST TIMES

Four sprinters posted faster times than De Grasse on Tuesday:

- Keston Bledman, Trinidad and Tobago, 9.95
- Remontay McClain, USA, 9.99
- BeeJay Lee, USA, 9.99
- Ramon Gittens, Barbados, 10.03

Andre De Grasse won his heat in a time of 10.06 on Tuesday. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

JAYS OUT WEST

Jays 3B Donaldson returns to Oakland as an all-star

Josh Donaldson had a little extra time to reflect on his tenure with the Athletics during his first trip back to the aging Oakland Coliseum.

Toronto's all-star third baseman spent about two hours in a taxi from San Francisco to Oakland on Tuesday because his driver apparently took a few failed "shortcuts." Finally, Donaldson saw the stadium's new video boards as the car approached and thought back to his old memories of playing for the green and gold.

"When I pulled up, my heart started fluttering a little bit seeing this place," Donaldson said, wearing his Blue Jays uniform in the visitor's dugout.

Josh Donaldson GETTY IMAGES

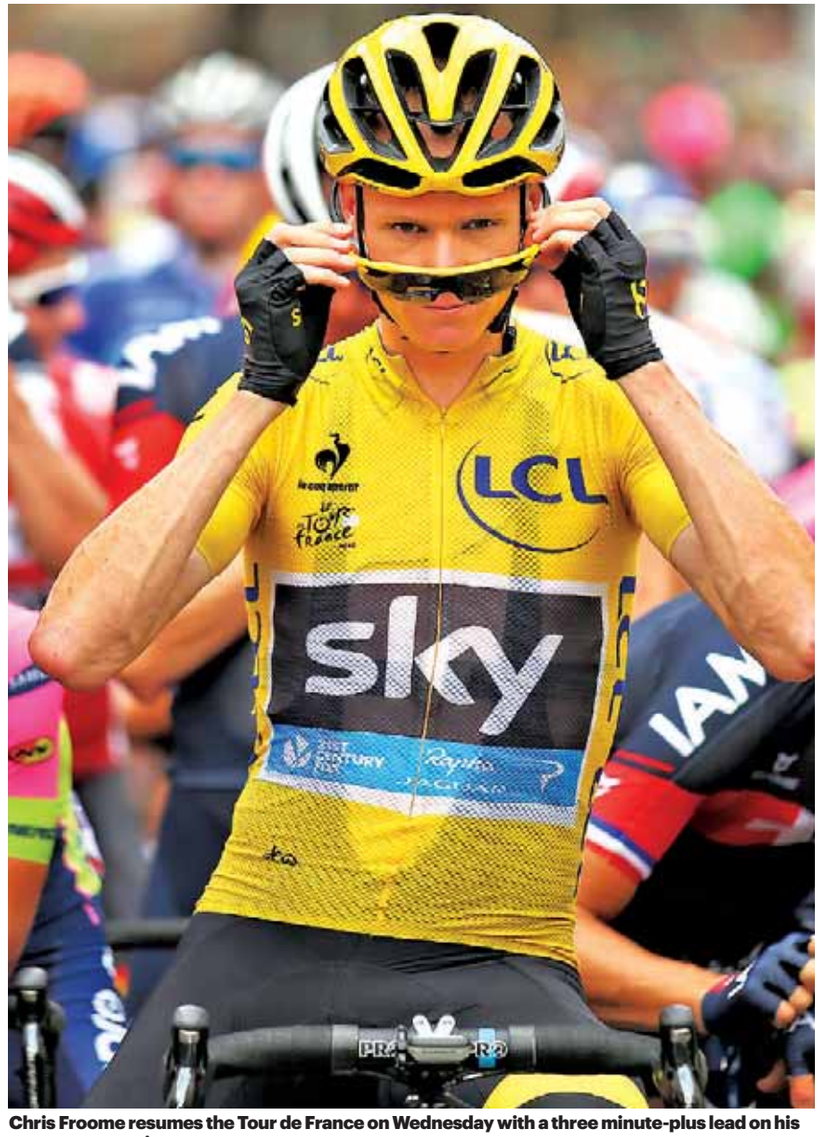
No doubt Donaldson felt some emotions in his return to Oakland, where the Blue Jays and A's were meeting for the first time since the offseason trade that reshaped their rosters.

In a surprising move Nov. 28, the A's sent Donaldson to Toronto for third baseman Brett Lawrie, right-hander Kendall Graveman, lefty Sean Nolin and minor league shortstop Franklin Barreto. Gravemen (6-5, 3.38 ERA) was starting for Oakland in the opener of the three-game series.

"Maybe a little incentive there," Donaldson quipped.

Donaldson said he has "zero animosity" toward the A's. He recalls only fond memories of his four seasons with the team — "minus some flooding a couple times" in the clubhouse — and is thankful for the opportunity the team gave him. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Froome trying to be as 'transparent as possible'



Chris Froome resumes the Tour de France on Wednesday with a three minute-plus lead on his nearest competitor. BRYN LENNON/GETTY IMAGES

TOUR DE FRANCE

Team Sky releases race data amid allegations

The team of Tour de France leader Chris Froome bowed to pressure Tuesday and released data about his riding power, heart rate and pedalling rhythm, hoping to quell speculation about doping ahead of an increasingly likely victory in Paris.

On the Tour's second rest day, Team Sky presented the figures after comments on French TV raised questions about Froome's performance and created more speculation about his speed on the way to victory in Stage 10.

With a three minute, 10-second lead on his closest rival, Froome said he's in "a great place" as the race resumes Wednesday with Stage 17's 161-kilometre jaunt.

> **"I think it's very unfair for him to have to deal with all the scrutiny.**
> Cyclist Tejay van Garderen on Chris Froome

"The third week of the Tour is always unpredictable. You never know how anyone is going to respond," said American rider Tejay van Garderen, the BMC team leader who is third overall.

Froome, a Kenya-born Briton, said his team want to address doubts about Sky's performances with the release of his rider data.

"I'm not sure if numbers are going to fix everything, but certainly I feel as a team and myself, we're definitely trying to be as open and transparent as possible," he said.

Sky performance analyst Tim Kerrison presented figures including Froome's power output, cadence and heart rate on the climb to the Stage 10 finish. The figures showed the rider's ability to generate vast amounts of power, hitting a top speed of 27.7 kph going uphill.

Kerrison said Froome produced 414 watts and a pedal cadence of 97 revolutions per minute on average on the climb. Froome's heart rate hit 174 beats per minute, the highest rate that the team has tallied from him in any recent Grand Tour race.

Last week, France-2 ran a report quoting a doctor, Pierre Sallet, who it said works with statisticians for race organizer ASO, analyzing Tour riders' performances. ASO says that is only partly true: It says Sallet's team does give them data about the race itself, providing such details as where riders are on the road in relation to each other. But ASO says Sallet doesn't analyze rider's physiological data.

In the TV report, Sallet cited what he called "a reliable mathematical model" for his calculation that Froome had a maximum aerobic power of 500 watts on the climb, and could generate 7.04 watts per kilogram of body weight. By his count, Kerrison said Froome had produced 5.78 watts per kilogram on average on the climb.

"All athletes we've seen above 7 watts per kilo in the past were athletes who were caught in doping affairs," said Sallet, adding that Froome "must give us information about his physiological profile for his performance to become credible."

Sky's Kerrison said the "margin of error" was too great to allow for an accurate assessment of Froome's physiological profile from the Stage 10 climb results alone. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tigers ace David Price is slated to become a free agent after this season. GETTY IMAGES

MLB

Tigers forced to contemplate teardown for future

With the possibility of significant trades looming over the Detroit Tigers, Brad Ausmus sat in the dugout and made the case for staying the course.

"I know everyone wants it to be a big story, because the Tigers have been so successful, that all of a sudden they're at .500 with the trade deadline looming — it's a big story to say that the Tigers are sellers," the second-year manager said. "I don't consider four games out of playoff position a selling position."

As the July 31 trade deadline approaches, Detroit's situation might be the most compelling of any team in baseball.

The four-time defending champions of the AL Central entered Tuesday night's game against Seattle facing a 9-1/2-game deficit in the division. But as Ausmus pointed out, the Tigers were only four games behind the American League's two wild cards.

> **"Things can turn dramatically over a 10-game period. But, you have to play well, at some point, on a consistent basis.**
> Tigers general manager Dave Dombrowski

Teams in that position rarely throw in the towel, but Detroit's quandary is unusual. The Tigers have three high-priced players eligible for free agency after this season in David Price, Yoenis Cespedes and Joakim Soria.

If all three leave, Detroit would have money available to spend on replacements to add to a roster that includes Miguel Cabrera, Victor Martinez, J.D. Martinez and Anibal Sanchez.

And by trading a player like Price, the Tigers could acquire enough talent to boost their outlook for 2016 and 2017.

Maybe.

The big question right now is whether it's time to concede 2015.

"At this point our focus is trying to win right now. We're trying to do everything we can to qualify for the playoffs," general manager Dave Dombrowski said in an email Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Former San Francisco Giants star Barry Bonds.
ERIC RISBERG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

MLB

Bonds free and clear

The U.S. Department of Justice on Tuesday formally dropped its criminal prosecution of Barry Bonds, Major League Baseball's career home run leader.

The decade-long investigation and prosecution of Bonds for obstruction of justice ended quietly with the DOJ's one-paragraph court filing announcing it would not ask the U.S. Supreme Court to consider a lower court's reversal of his felony conviction.

A jury convicted Bonds in 2011 of obstruction of justice for giving a meandering answer to a federal grand jury when asked about injections. A federal appeals court overturned that conviction in April.

The DOJ could have asked the high court to take the case. Instead, the DOJ said the reversal of Bonds' conviction would stand.

Bonds attorney Dennis Riordan decline comment early Tuesday, saying he needed to speak with his client before discussing the case publicly.

Major League Baseball had no immediate comment on the Justice Department decision.

The U.S. Attorney's office in San Francisco didn't respond immediately to a phone call seeking comment. The San Francisco office obtained an indictment of Bonds in 2007, charging him with lying to a federal grand jury about performance-enhancing drug use.

A jury convicted him of obstructing justice because of the answer he gave when he was asked if his personal trainer Greg Anderson ever injected him with steroids.

"That's what keeps our friendship," Bonds replied. "I was a celebrity child, not just in baseball by my own instincts. I became a celebrity child with a famous father. I just don't get into other people's business because of my father's situation, you see."

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Defoe to play in Toronto

MLS

Injury-fraught former Red returns for friendly game

Jermain Defoe returns to Toronto as a member of Sunderland as the Black Cats visit TFC for a friendly on Wednesday night at BMO Field. GLYN KIRK/GETTY IMAGES

Jermain Defoe is playing in Toronto for the first time since leaving TFC after his rights were sold to Sunderland, and he's all set to face the jeers he'll likely receive from the crowd at BMO Field.

Defoe, in town for the friendly Wednesday (7 p.m., no TV) between Sunderland and the Reds, is looking forward to the match.

"It feels a bit weird to be back," he told reporters in Toronto. "I'm happy to be here, I still have a lot of friends here."

How Defoe was lured away from the English Premier League to play in Toronto, in a much-ballyhooed move dubbed 'a Bloody Big Deal,' and then left Canada after just one injury-filled year has been well chronicled.

He scored three goals in his first two TFC games and had 11 in the first 16 games of the 2014 Major League Soccer season despite missing three matches through injury.

But he did not score again, missing 12 of the next 18 games though suspension or injury.

Defoe said it was unfortunate he got injured but that he enjoyed his time in Toronto.

"I was getting criticized for missing games," Defoe said, explaining that he was playing with a hernia for three months, and that his abductor muscle was torn so his movement was restricted.

"I missed crucial games because I was injured and needed an operation."

TFC sold Defoe's rights to Sunderland in January, with Jozy Altidore coming to Toronto in the deal.

"I might get a few boos, but that's all right," Defoe told the Sunderland Echo earlier.

"I don't mind that. It's fine."

Scheduling the friendly between the two teams was part of the transaction.

"It will be a good test for us because they're a strong team, an MLS team," he told the Echo. "But that's what we need.

"We need to be playing against teams who are fitter than us — teams who are sharp, to get us ready for the start of the season."

TFC coach Greg Vanney told reporters that Altidore, who is recovering from a hamstring injury, may not play against his former team in the friendly depending on how he's feeling.

Vanney said that "bygones are bygones" with the return of Defoe.

"You have to put that stuff behind you, and everybody moves on and we wish him well and I hope his experience coming back is a good one, but we like our team now."

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> **I might get a few boos, but that's all right.**
> Jermain Defoe

SOCCER

Game off over corruption probe

A friendly between Brazil and Argentina planned in the United States in September has been cancelled as part of the fallout from the investigation into alleged corruption involving FIFA.

The head of the company handling logistics for the Argentine national team told The Associated Press on Tuesday that the match has been called off as the two Argentine businessmen who own Full Play, a sports marketing company which had rights for the friendly, remain under house arrest in Argentina after being indicted in May by the U.S. Justice Department.

The U.S. has launched a sweeping investigation into alleged bribery, racketeering and money-laundering, and indicted 14 soccer and sports marketing officials, including the Argentine businessmen.

This year's edition of the Superclassic of the Americas was originally scheduled to be played on Sept. 5 in San Francisco. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Putin to attend World Cup qualifying draw

Russian President Vladimir Putin's spokesman says he will attend the World Cup 2018 preliminary draw on Saturday and will meet with FIFA President Sepp Blatter.

Saturday's preliminary draw, which determines the qualifying process for the World Cup, will be held at a former Russian imperial palace on the outskirts of Putin's home city of St. Petersburg.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLS

Montreal Impact woo Didier Drogba

The Montreal Impact have spoken with former Chelsea forward Didier Drogba.

A team spokesman confirmed Monday that team president Joey Saputo spoke with Drogba in hopes of convincing him to join the Major League Soccer franchise.

The Canadian Press learned that negotiations between the club, Drogba's representatives and MLS began about 10 days ago. The spokesman also confirmed that Saputo talked with the former Ivory Coast international last Friday and that discussions happened in French — Drogba's native language.

The Chicago Fire are also in talks with Drogba and his name is on their discovery list. That gives the Fire exclusive rights to Drogba should he decide to join MLS.

Montreal could still sign Drogba, but it would need to pay a fee to Chicago to acquire his rights. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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‘Thanks for not eating me’: Surfer

SURVIVAL

Shark-puncher discusses close encounter with huge predator

Mick Fanning sat up on a high stool, straight-backed and good-humoured, recounting the story he will be telling for the rest of his days, about how he fought off a suspected great white shark with his bare hands during a surfing competition in South Africa.

It sounds like the plot of a movie, but this three-time world champion is no fictional Crocodile Dundee-style Aussie. He’s the real thing: His shark-wrestling exploits were broadcast live.

The 34-year-old Fanning arrived back in Australia on Tuesday and appeared at a news conference in Sydney before heading home to Gold Coast, the burgeoning city surrounding Surfers Paradise beach.

“It was so close. I’m doing OK, though,” he said. “I haven’t got a scratch on me. Just more of an emotional, mental sort of trauma right now.

“To walk away from a shark attack with not a scratch on you — it is a miracle, really.”

Fanning was competing against fellow Aussie Julian Wilson in the final of the JBay Open, the World Surf League event at Jeffreys Bay on South Africa’s east coast, when he was bumped off his board by a shark.

Mick Fanning
GETTY IMAGES

In video of the event posted on the World Surf League website, Fanning could be seen scanning the water before a big fin emerged behind him. He turned to deal with the shark, and then lost his board as a wave rolled in and he disappeared from view.

Fanning said at first he tried to swim away but then decided to defend himself, and turned to punch the shark in the back. He was next seen furiously swimming toward a personal watercraft, where he was helped out of the water and back to shore.

He recounted the events to fans gathered around him on the beach, and only later, when the adrenalin subsided, did the tears kick in as he realized how close he had come to serious injury or death. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mick Fanning is pursued by a shark on Sunday during a competition in Jeffreys Bay, on South Africa’s east coast.
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- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 1 avocado (ripe) mashed
- 2 tsp lemon juice and salt
- 1/2 cup arugula leaves
- 8 sliced tomatoes
- 4 large hamburger buns

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1. To make the burgers: In a food processor, process salmon, egg, panko, cilantro, green onions and garlic coarsely by turning processor on and off. Do not purée. Mixture will be loose. Form into four patties.
2. Either on a barbecue or a non-stick grill pan sprayed with cooking spray, grill the burgers until medium done, about 3 minutes per side on medium heat. Do not overcook.
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- Calories 460
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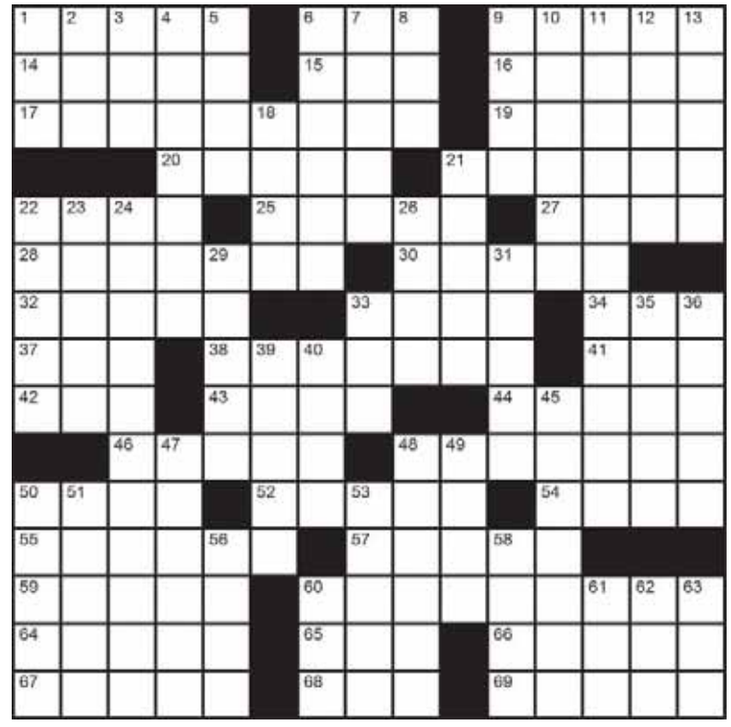

ACROSS
1. Port-au-Prince's locale
6. Sheep's call
9. Taken-back vehicles
14. Brit singer Lily
15. _ and downs
16. Comic strip dog that wears a Viking helmet
17. You roll the dice, then I'll roll the dice, and so on...: 2 wds.
19. Alias for Patty Hearst in the SLA
20. English metaphysical poet, John _ (b.1572 - d.1631)
21. Gordon _ (Rocker Sting's birth name)
22. Teddy Bears tune: "To Know Him _ _ Love Him"
25. Discontinue
27. Popeye's sweetie Olive, and others
28. Preoccupation amongst street gangs: 2 wds.
30. Laboratory dish
32. "Have _ _ journey!" (Well-wisher's exclamation)
33. Max _ Jr. of "The Beverly Hillbillies"
34. Purring pet
37. NBAer Jeremy
38. Quandary
41. Ratite bird
42. WKRP employee
43. Aerosmith's "Love _ _ Elevator"
44. Nutty pie
46. Rush lead singer Mr. Lee
48. Variety of long-grain rice
50. In that case
52. The British _
54. Legendary
55. Operate
57. Fragrant oil from flowers
59. _ _ course (Soon enough)
60. Shopping mall's moving staircase
64. Movie-_ (Film attendees)
65. Letters for Prince Albert of Monaco
66. The _ (Area of Ottawa)
67. Root beer brand
68. Extinct bird
69. Improvise

DOWN
1. Brim locale
2. Birmingham's state, briefly
3. Type
4. Really annoyed: 2 wds.
5. Keen on
6. Stove part
7. Sleep problem
8. 1995 Tom Cochrane album: 'Ragged _ Road'
9. After-Q queue
10. Captivate
11. Glacial mass worth a cent in Nunavut?: 3 wds.
12. Bay window
13. Hollywood Walk of Fame symbols
18. Donald Duck, to his nephews
21. "Now you _ '_, now you don't!" (Disappearing act exclamation)
22. Mr. Know-_-_
23. "Wake Up Little _" by The Everly Brothers
24. 'T' of LGBT
26. E-Mail advertising
29. Songbook standard: "The Things _ _ Last Summer"
31. Immobilizes
33. Mr. Affleck
35. Famous family of violin makers
36. Ancient Rome garb
39. Rock music genre
40. Potato chips brand
45. Green gemstone
47. Withstand
48. "You _!" (That's right!)
49. 'Thin Man' pooch
50. Leg part
51. Vietnam's capital city
53. Old West prop
56. Fewer
58. Aquatic organism
60. Erica of classic MuchMusic
61. _ Aviv, Israel
62. _-Wan Kenobi
63. Aussie comic actress Ms. Wilson, to pals

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
No matter how many times you may have ignored reality in the past, you won't be able to today. If there is something wrong with a relationship you must sort it out now. Tomorrow may be too late.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Don't worry if you failed to live up to an ideal. At least you have ideals, which is more than most people can claim. Keep plugging away and you'll make the breakthrough you've been dreaming about.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
If you must take risks at least make them ones that won't cost you. The planets warn it might be wiser to keep your money in your pocket.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Mercury, planet of the mind, leaves your sign tomorrow, so get your plans in order over the next few hours. Consider how much they are going to cost you.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Your doubts and fears will disappear when the sun and Mercury move into your sign tomorrow. Today make sure that you have tied up all loose ends. Things left undone cause trouble.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Some of your ideas may seem a bit far-fetched but don't let that stop you. What matters is that you believe in what you are doing. Trust your instincts.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You are in a rebellious mood. Whatever others say you take the opposite view, simply because it is fun to do so. Just make sure you don't annoy someone whose support you need.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You will no longer have any doubts about what it is you should be doing. Think strategically but be flexible. The more you adapt the more you succeed.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
There is no need to feel guilty about what it is you desire. It may not be what others enjoy but that does not mean it is wrong. What a boring world this would be if we were all exactly the same!

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
There is a danger you will ignore warning signs and put yourself in a position where you can be taken advantage of. You want to believe that someone is telling you the truth but deep down you know they are not.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You will find it much easier to put your thoughts into words when Mercury moves into your opposite sign tomorrow. In all relationships your head must rule your heart.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You may think that your latest big idea is practical but it seems not everyone agrees. Find out why they are less than enthusiastic.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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Offer(s) available on select new 2015/2016 models through participating dealers to qualified retail customers who take delivery from July 1 to 31, 2015. Dealers may sell or lease for less. Some conditions apply. See dealer for complete details. Vehicles shown may include optional accessories and upgrades available at extra cost. All offers are subject to change without notice. All pricing and payments includes delivery and destination fees up to $1,715, $5 OMVIC fee, $29 tire fee, and $100 A/C charge (where applicable). Excludes other taxes, licensing, PPSA, registration, insurance, variable dealer administration fee (up to $399), fuel-fill charges up to $100, and down payment (if applicable and unless otherwise specified). Other lease and financing options also available. ©0% financing and up to $6,000 discount are available on select 2015 models and are deducted from the negotiated purchase/lease price before taxes. Certain conditions apply. See your dealer for complete details. **Representative Financing Example:** Financing offer available on approved credit (OAC), on a new 2015 Rondo LX AT Winter SE (RN75SF) with a selling price of $27,244 is based on monthly payments of $443 for 48 months at 0% with a $0 down payment, $0 security deposit and first monthly payment due at finance inception. Offer also includes a $6,000 financing discount. ‡**Cash Purchase Price** for the new 2015 Forte LX MT (F0541F)/2015 Soul 1.6L LX MT (S0551F)/2015 Sportage 2.4L LX MT FWD (SP551F)/2015 Rondo LX AT Winter SE (RN75SF) is $12,994/$14,994/$19,994/$21,244 and includes a cash discount of $4,570/$3,750/$4,850/$6,000. Dealer may sell for less. Other taxes, registration, insurance and licensing fees are excluded. Cash discounts vary by model and trim and are deducted from the negotiated selling price before taxes. *"**Representative Leasing Example:** Lease offer available on approved credit (OAC), on new 2016 Sorento 2.4L LX FWD (SR75AG) with a selling price of $29,344 is based on monthly payments of $324 , and includes a $1,000 bonus for 36 months at 1.9%, $0 security deposit, $1,500 down payment and first monthly payment due at lease inception. Total lease obligation is $11,656 with the option to purchase at the end of the term for $16,414. Lease has 16,000 km/yr allowance (other packages available and $0.12/km for excess kilometres). Lease discounts vary by model and trim and are deducted from the negotiated selling price before taxes. ©©Bonus amounts are offered on select 2015/2016 models and are deducted from the negotiated purchase/lease price before taxes. Certain conditions apply. See your dealer for complete details. ΩLease payments must be made on a monthly or bi-weekly basis but cannot be made on a weekly basis. Weekly lease payments are for advertising purposes only. ‡Model shown Manufacturer Suggested Retail Price for 2015 Forte SX (F0748F)/2016 Sorento SX Turbo AWD (SR75IG)/2015 Soul SX Luxury (S0758F)/2015 Sportage SX Luxury (SP759F) is $26,695/$42,095/$27,295/$38,495. ^ Highway/city fuel consumption is based on the 2015 Forte 1.8L MPI 4-cyl AT/2016 Sorento SX 2.0L Turbo AWD/2015 Soul 2.0L GDI 4-cyl AT/2015 Sportage 2.4L 4-cyl AT. These updated estimates are based on the Government of Canada's approved criteria and testing methods. Refer to the *EnerGuide Fuel Consumption Guide*. Your actual fuel consumption will vary based on driving habits and other factors.The Kia Soul received the lowest number of problems per 100 vehicles among compact multi-purpose vehicles in the proprietary J.D. Power 2015 U.S. Initial Quality Study℠. Study based on responses from 84,367 U.S. new-vehicle owners, measuring 244 models and measures opinions after 90 days of ownership. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of U.S. owners surveyed from February to May 2015. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com. The Kia Sorento received the lowest number of problems per 100 vehicles among midsize SUVs in the proprietary J.D. Power 2015 U.S. Initial Quality Study℠. Study based on responses from 84,367 U.S. new-vehicle owners, measuring 244 models and measures opinions after 90 days of ownership. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of U.S. owners surveyed from February to May 2015. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com. The Bluetooth® wordmark and logo are registered trademarks and are owned by Bluetooth SIG, Inc. Information in this advertisement is believed to be accurate at the time of printing. For more information on our 5-year warranty coverage, visit kia.ca or call us at 1-877-542-2886. Kia is a trademark of Kia Motors Corporation.